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INTRODUCTION

These crosswords are selected from those which appeared in *The Observer* in the years 1956–59. The clues have been to some extent revised, in view of small changes of technique which have now become our regular practice.

Much of the revision concerns two particular points. (1) In common with most crosswords we now indicate a hyphenated word such as "vice-principal" by (4-9) instead of by (13); this method has been used throughout the book. (2) Ten years or more ago exclamation marks were often used at the end of clues, merely to suggest some possibly surprising twist in the wording; they are still so used in many crosswords. To us nowadays they seem to savour too much of giving oneself a pat on the back for cleverness, so that we only use them when there really is an exclamation.

Other changes have been made to revivify clues in which some feature has become out of date, others, again, where a word occurs in more than one puzzle in the book, to eliminate similarity in the clues to it. Plain quotational clues, with a blank for the required word and no other indication except the author's name, have never been commonly used in Everyman crosswords; now they have been completely cut out. Either their answers are known and written straight in (not much fun), or they are not known but can usually be found in a Dictionary of Quotations or a Concordance (cheating); otherwise they are likely to involve mere guesswork. "They'll none of them be missed", we think, by most solvers.

Apart from these points our principles, which aim at fairness, remain unaltered. A reference to the meaning of the whole word or phrase is obligatory. An anagram is always hinted at, not merely made continuous with the rest of the clue, and it is always a direct anagram, not an indirect one of a synonym. The letter "I", as distinct from the pronoun (which may stand for the whole word), is indicated by "I", or "one", not by "me", and it is 3rd person, not 1st, so that it cannot be accompanied by "am". Care is taken to show that reversed words suggested in the Across clues go back, whereas those in the Downs go up. In "hidden" clues there are no

superfluous words in the "hiding places" apart from the definite or indefinite article.

Finally, these puzzles are meant to be soluble in an armchair or a railway carriage, without the need for reference books. It is hoped that no words or phrases that are too unfamiliar have been included.

1

ACROSS

1 These fish are experts (4)
3 This mounted herdsman is a regular problem for mathematicians (5-5)
9 Fabulous feet? (7)
11 Bill is this, having turned reddish brown in light surroundings (7)
12 Trick recorders, to span the right-hand men (6, 7)
14 Even a broken sceptre can produce awe (7)
15 To wed a serving girl used to produce romance (7)
16 Street notice for football fans, avoiding a clash (2, 5)
18 A chap who is soaking is harder to deal with (7)
20 They seem to have let the classrooms become disorderly (13)
23 Married, when about to care—now ruined (7)
24 Heavyweight certain to produce a close shave (7)
25 Needlewoman seizes south eastern member's hair (10)
26 Fit to act as a committee (4)

DOWN

1 To think things over on purpose (10)
2 V.I.P.s for swollen heads (7)
4 A prolonged struggle, to make sure that a source of light will work? (4, 5)
5 Skip about in the sauce (5)
6 Some say that modern poetry is without —— (5, 2, 6)
7 The composer to leave a public vehicle near Surrey borders? (7)
8 Spool obtainable in three lengths (4)
10 What do you expect in a well-sprung car? Pretty poor (2, 5, 6)
13 There's space in the boat: see back page (10)
15 After a mix-up the married couple are having meals together (9)
17 Produce the wrong name for Mr. M. (7)
19 One who's easily shocked about the Spanish curtain-raiser (7)
21 A class to instruct (5)
22 Boring makers of laws (4)

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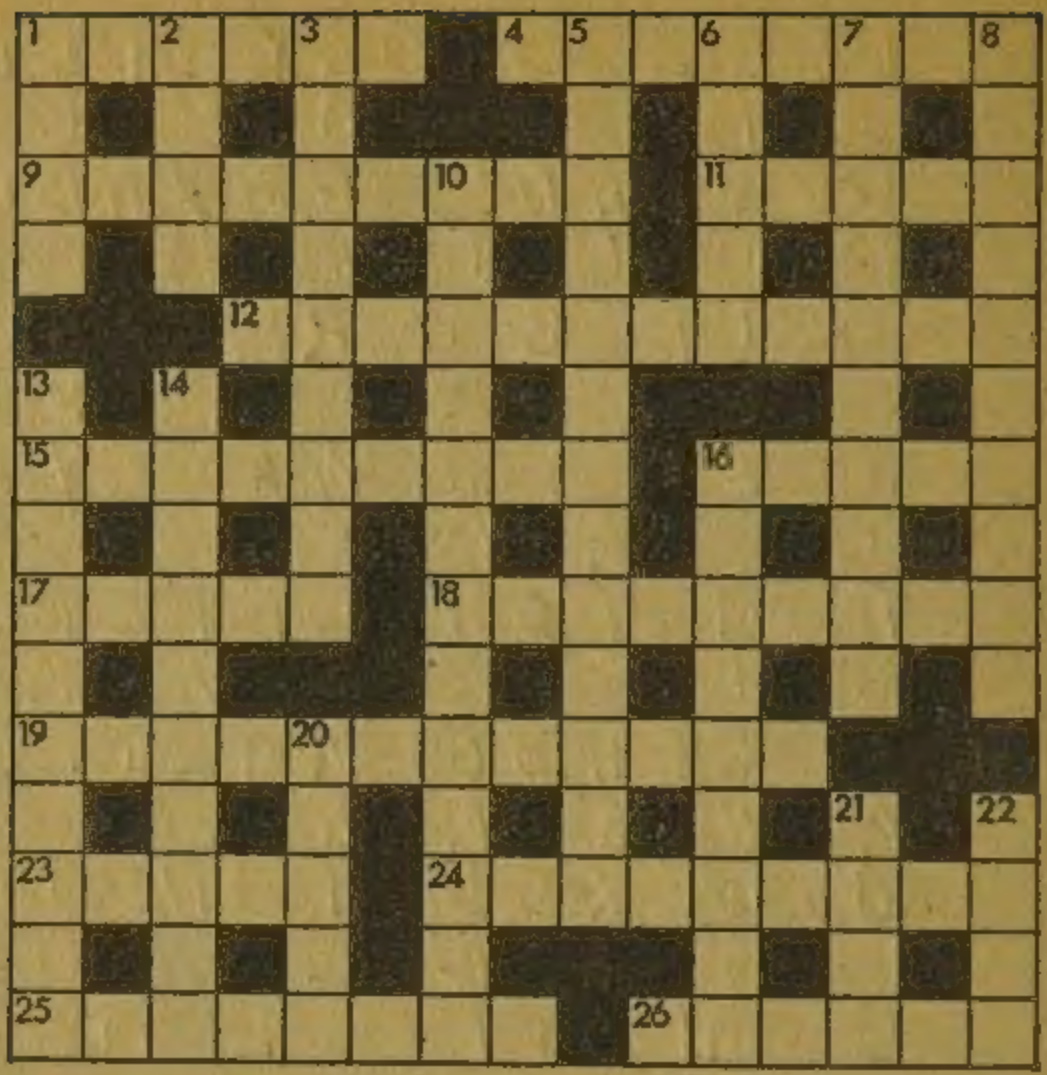

ACROSS

1 This article in typescript is over people's heads (6)
4 Chubby, with something that's solid about her (8)
9 Wild flower in Pinafore (9)
11 Get a doctor to employ the little beast (5)
12 Irritable—steady—you may get a hack here (6, 6)
15 Go for a stroll by the border in the Lake District (9)
16 Stick here—don't get out (5)
17 Live cricket teams in a net with no top (5)
18 Stewed chops and sole for ancient playwright (9)
19 What avaricious optimists do on entering a kiosk (5, 6, 1)
23 It's all right with a self-righteous sort of giraffe (5)
24 This African will smash a tin, I hope (9)
25 Reinforcements who haven't been up long (8)
26 Saint who may become a warden (6)

DOWN

1 A solid block, like 27 (4)
2 Observe that the school turns up (4)
3 Page precedes tenant: he'll take the chair (9)
5 The blessed message describes a suicide (5, 8)
6 Pardon, chap with watch is standing on his head (5)
7 Buzzer with poison in it, perhaps (10)
8 Address: —150—aye—on the Loch (10)
10 An economic measure—believe the press (6, 7)
13 We part in trouble on top of the house, keeping off the rain (10)
14 Wash out the Old Boy who's had an education (10)
16 Fate of trees in a gale may propagate thistles (5, 4)
20 Smart—that's what it is and what it will do (5)
21 Provides seaside entertainment, and used to, with rot (4)
22 Bowler proverbially white when driven (4)

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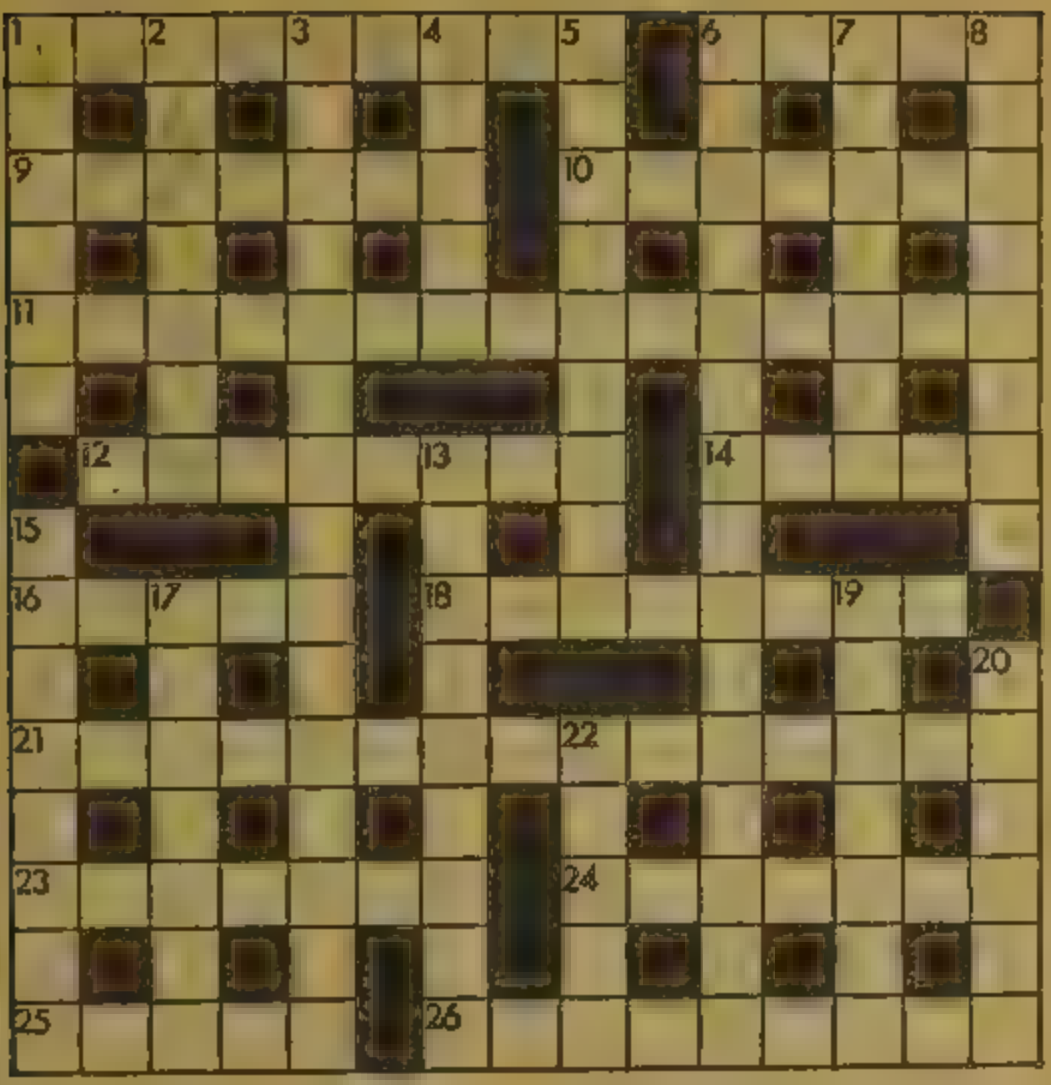

ACROSS

1 Step on it in reverse and put the brake on? (4-5)
6 I'll get in some fish as a foundation (5)
9 No longer in the depths, making sin pure (7)
10 I'm going along the canal; put a bit of string on, do, Larry (7)
11 Request for a raspberry, addressed to club artiste? (4, 2, 3, 1, 5)
12 See the patient girl wildly glad about to get up (8)
14 All het up after getting the sack (5)
16 Try for a catch in the deep where the walls meet? (5)
18 With a proud record, and skin intact (8)
21 Whatever they're like, "it'll be all right on the night" (5, 10)
23 One who has no illusions about a catalogue (7)
24 Decide about a port on the Pacific (7)
25 Loud-speakers in the lawyer's office (5)
26 Long John, with a hundred up, gets the prize (6, 3)

DOWN

1 Bonus for lad who swallows cracked nut (6)
2 I'm a pirate, or in the Civil Service atmosphere (7)
3 Jobs for men of letters, awarded by an Oxford college (15)
4 The dog to make a racket get going (5)
5 One foundation for an essayist is plenty of meat (3, 2, 4)
6 Proclamation, seldom vetoed, that leads to union (5, 2, 8)
7 Old time hooligan, doing a bit of house-work? (7)
8 Rush to impress a former Home Secretary (8)
13 They can surely produce the heart of poetry as a rule (9)
15 The hose should not be guided round a thing with coils, like this (8)
17 Angered in such a way as to be explosive (7)
19 Buoyant enough to endure in rise of French Co. (7)
20 Having a rest, please, for a change (6)
22 Peace and beginning of leisure for supporter of art (5)

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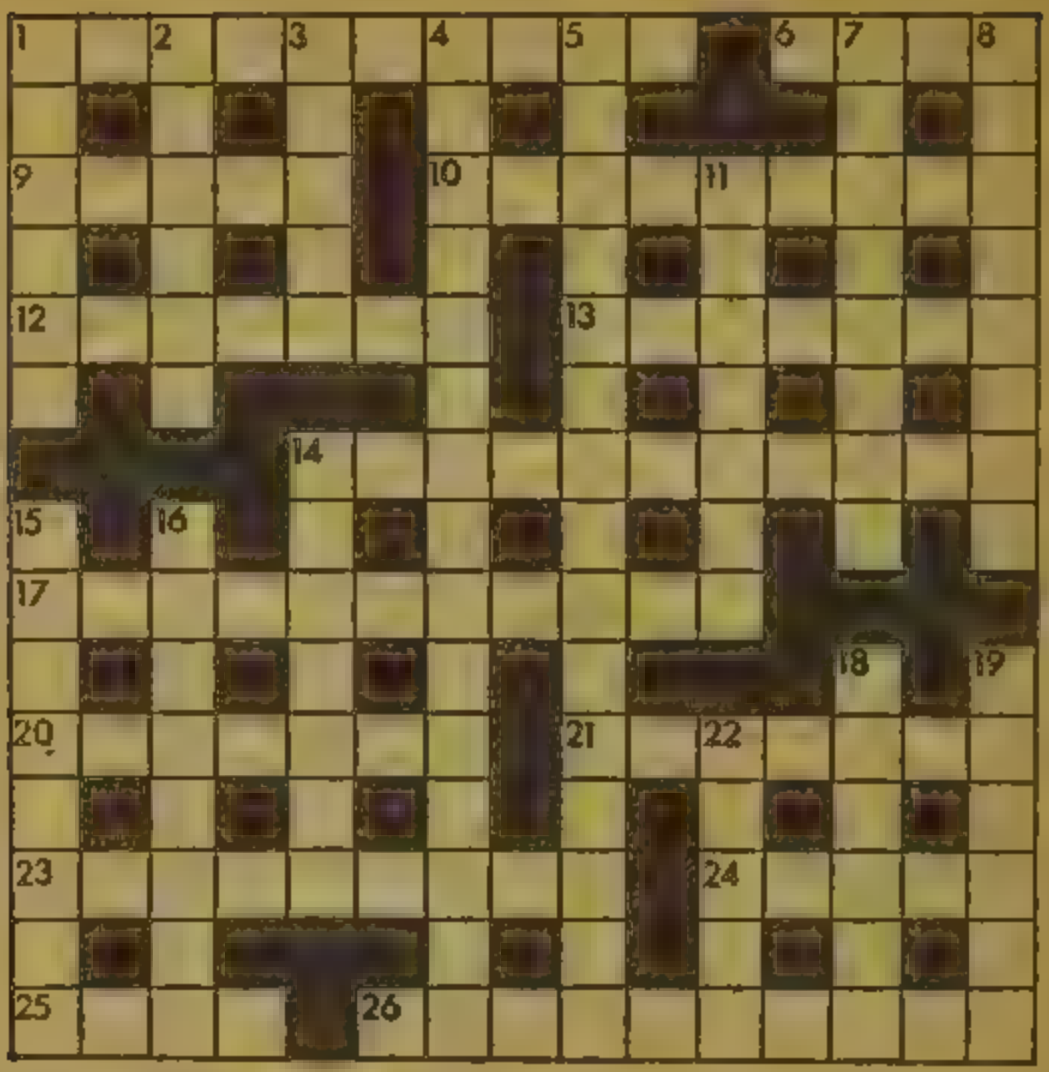

ACROSS

1 Cause and result of a shot on the dressing-table (6-4)
6 The boss and a lot of horses (4)
9 Riches can be cruel (5)
10 Hoops round a large oven for cooking operations (9)
12 Tree gets mixed up with hat in scene of his triumphs (7)
13 You'll see such a figure lure man astray (7)
14 Sort of bridge problem to keep twin infants quiet? (6, 5)
17 Measure in an awkward predicament for diplomatic office (11)
20 Colonnade where I'll join the company after wine (7)
21 Lie by an ornamental tree: such are its roots (7)
23 Improper coining has to, for a disguise (9)
24 There's some trifle about in the meat course (5)
25 The first halves of two songs aren't up to much (2-2)
26 A gardener isn't —— a bank clerk, because ... (8, 2)

DOWN

1 Friend tucked in, showing relish (6)
2 Abandoned like a candle (6)
3 End of wide opening shows what happens (5)
4 Does this mean that a debate will never be wound up? (9, 6)
5 Kipling's cricket maniacs (10, 5)
7 Must rant wildly—the causes? (8)
8 Exhibits drama in East Anglian town (8)
11 Tiny chap gets over lazily, without resolution (7)
14 What's chewed up with a ruler makes you very wet (7)
15 Ancient philosophers are still hard to convince (8)
16 Jeers at the torture in refreshment rooms (8)
18 Eastern European refinement (6)
19 School that includes drinking water among its charges (6)
22 Sort of little house built of French stone? (5)

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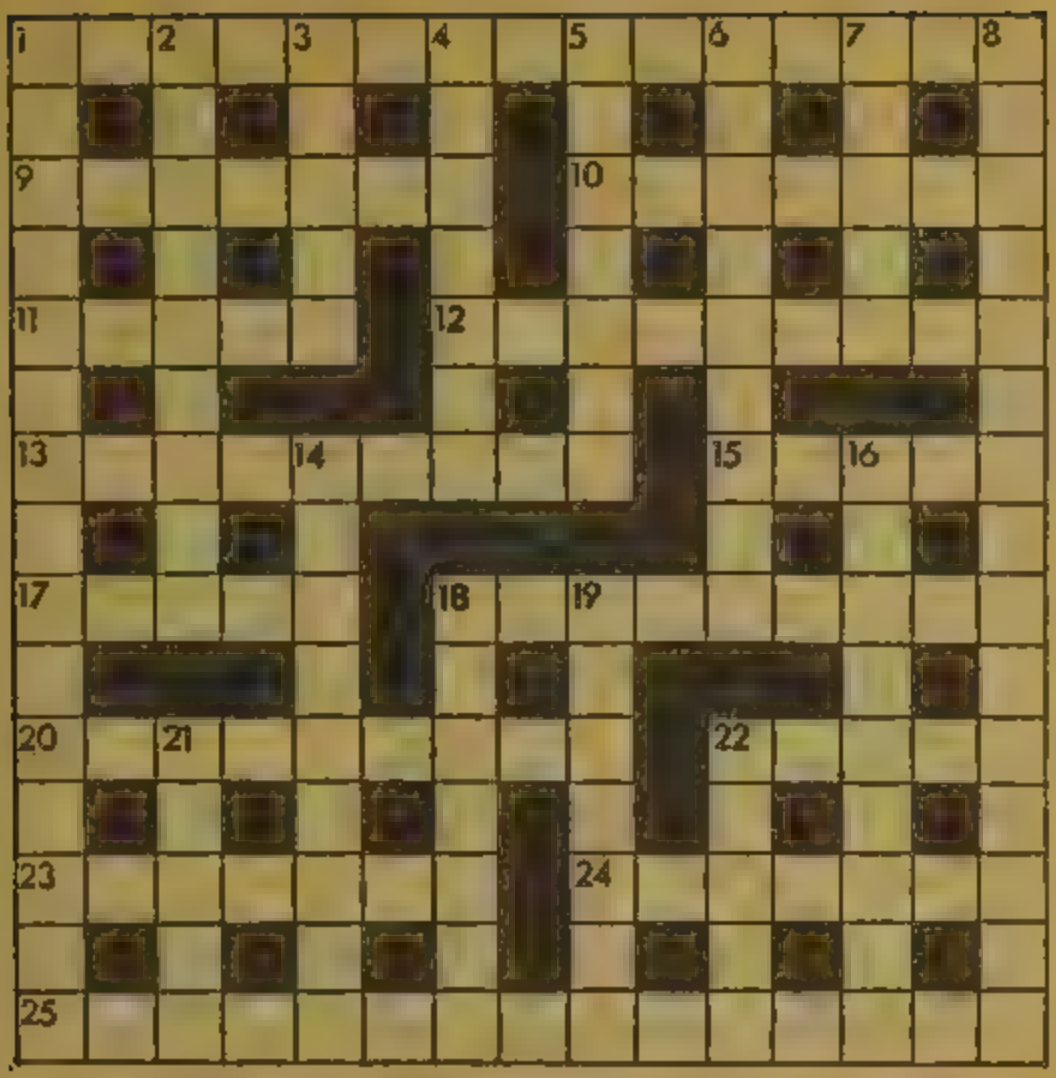

ACROSS

1 Nightingale, a source of light in darkness (4, 4, 3, 4)
9 Get away with some fun in Hampshire (7)
10 A distressing sound, from tiles or gallery (3-4)
11 How trees look when chopped short (5)
12 Sad occasion out of holiday time gets ten upset (9)
13 These are possessed of sore devil, evidently (4-5)
15 Endure a call by East (5)
17 Get a bit of credit together, as before (5)
18 Roster seen on the way back causes explosion (9)
20 Illness goes to the wall (9)
22 Quiet—shocking—and I'm easily shocked (5)
23 Fleet St. district retreats are very sweet (7)
24 Denigrate the fish in a whisper (7)
25 Humped vessel? (4, 2, 3, 6)

DOWN

1 Giddy quality of blondes (5-10)
2 Talks at Boulogne about damage to nerves in seizure of goods (9)
3 We must take in rubbish which is put on paper (5)
4 More than half these little birds are little beasts (7)
5 Ancient historian with nothing to say on America (7)
6 Come in with tinned article to cater for guests (9)
7 This dramatic critic couldn't quite be called precious (5)
8 What good oarsmen and crooked putters do? (4, 5, 6)
14 Size of book makes couple act about rise of vermin (9)
16 Butting in—hence suit riven badly (9)
18 Put down, but it's opened up in poetry (7)
19 Call it eastern insect (7)
21 Stew made from a colossal mixture (5)
22 Lapdog swallows nothing for tea (5)

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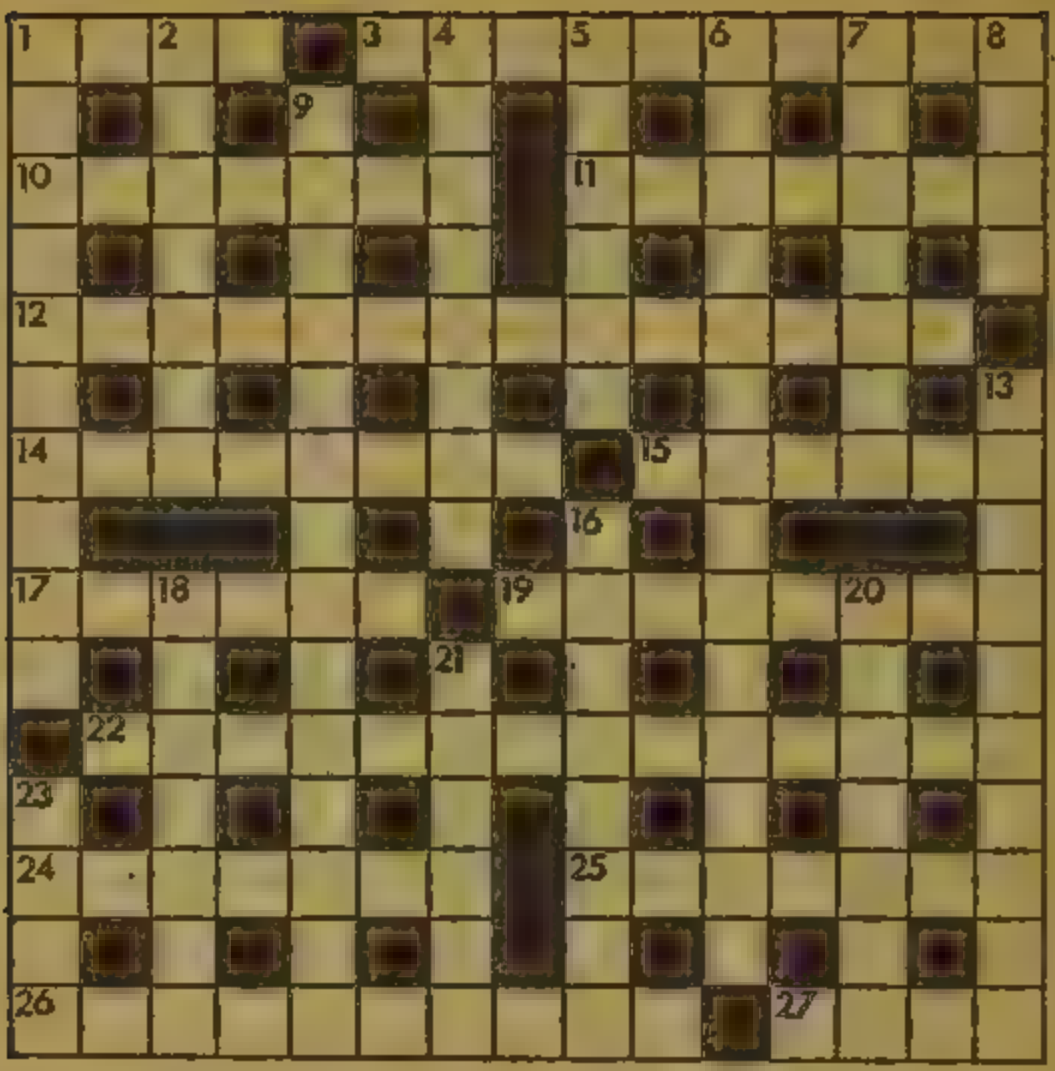

ACROSS

1 Would you call this part of a dress a shoulder-strap? Yes and no (4)
3 A man with predatory birds—ancient marauders (10)
10 Depressed, and likely to get the wind up (3, 4)
11 Taxi splits an animal: it's grues[illegible] (7)
12 How the young man prepares to go, and goes, courting? (7, 3, 4)
14 Woman with whisky about getting tight—that's all (8)
15 Cooling drink for a National runner? (6)
17 Hit heavily with explosive: bandage needed (6)
19 Arrives round where wine's kept and forms syndicate (8)
22 Lofty canvas that makes heads ache? (7, 7)
24 Lofty canvas that makes heads ache? (7)
25 Her shin is broken—or hock, perhaps (7)
26 Dickensian girl, wretched in thunder let loose (4, 6)
27 This pretence is little short of a disgrace (4)

DOWN

1 Shocking take-off on variety stage (5-5)
2 Frank is after the engineers (7)
4 Result of taking a couple away from a unit (5, 3)
5 Transparent little devil in cover (6)
6 Jack broke his crown: is this how Jill dies too? (5, 3, 6)
7 Spiteful women confuse babes with it (7)
8 Measure taken to overthrow tantrums (4)
9 Is rejected, and follows directors' advice? (4, 2, 3, 5)
13 The mixed shades were omitted in the war-time name of this meat (7, 3)
16 Material with four stripes in all (8)
18 A support thus rising is to the point (7)
20 Train's here: O, rush in somehow (7)
21 Here's the wine: put a measure in the vehicle (6)
23 The overthrow of this idol is nonsense! (4)

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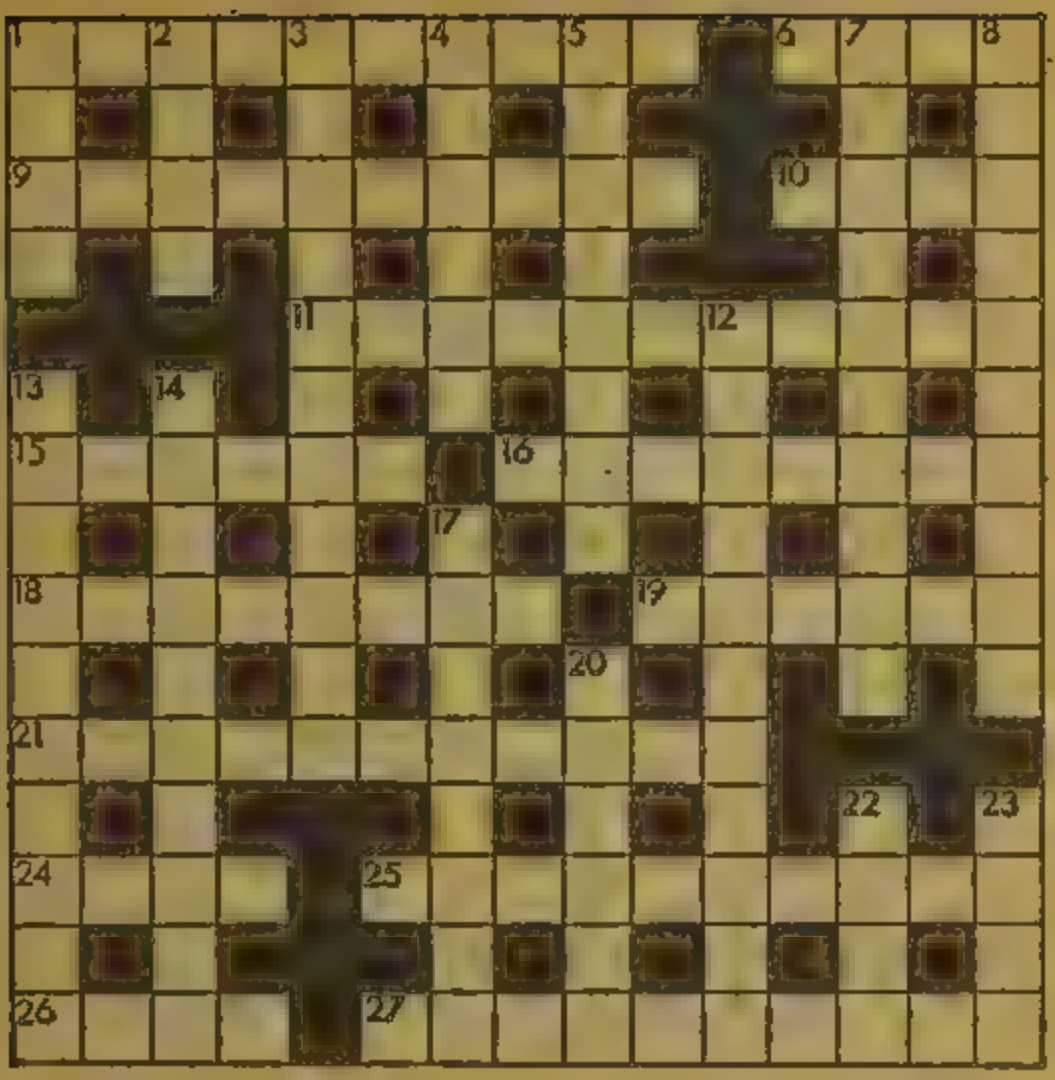

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1 What barristers do before putting their shorts on? (4, 6)
6 Jollification the chivalrous knight had missed (4)
9 The background is in a cupola: it's dismal (10)
10 Grass, after being trodden down? (4)
11 Employees cutting? Busy worker is around despatched in the morning (11)
15 Contract about a Dictator (6)
16 How can absent friends be with us? Like a cocktail cherry (2, 6)
18 My Pa's upset with your kindly attitude (8)
19 Good man seen in blessing tea-party venue (6)
21 Hack, said Ulysses, calling his wife's attention to a big ship (5-1-5)
24 Excursion and dance (4)
25 Sailing boat that can keep both Jim and Ned warm (10)
26 Follow closely what rugger forwards do (4)
27 Inhabitant of Cheshire, perhaps, and half panda joining Jew (6-4)

DOWN

1 Pelt and make for shelter (4)
2 This national emblem is bottom upwards (4)
3 It's full of red tape: inter, including what's wet, un-English, and more than half cracked (11)
4 A bit of pains is taken to be firm (6)
5 Unmanly penalty about exploded mine (8)
7 After a queer meal I make a speech to improve matters (10)
8 They act unimaginatively, putting plant that needs warmth in a fitful sun (10)
12 Dispossess former professional pirate who's a bit upset (11)
13 Go over the allotment in a nasty temper (5-5)
14 Girl with white metal in hair—it's terribly hard (10)
17 Almost cold food, but at least it's young and tender (8)
20 All het up at the brink (2, 4)
22 O.T. character comes in from Rimmon (4)
23 Bank of Scotland's partner, a potential bear (4)

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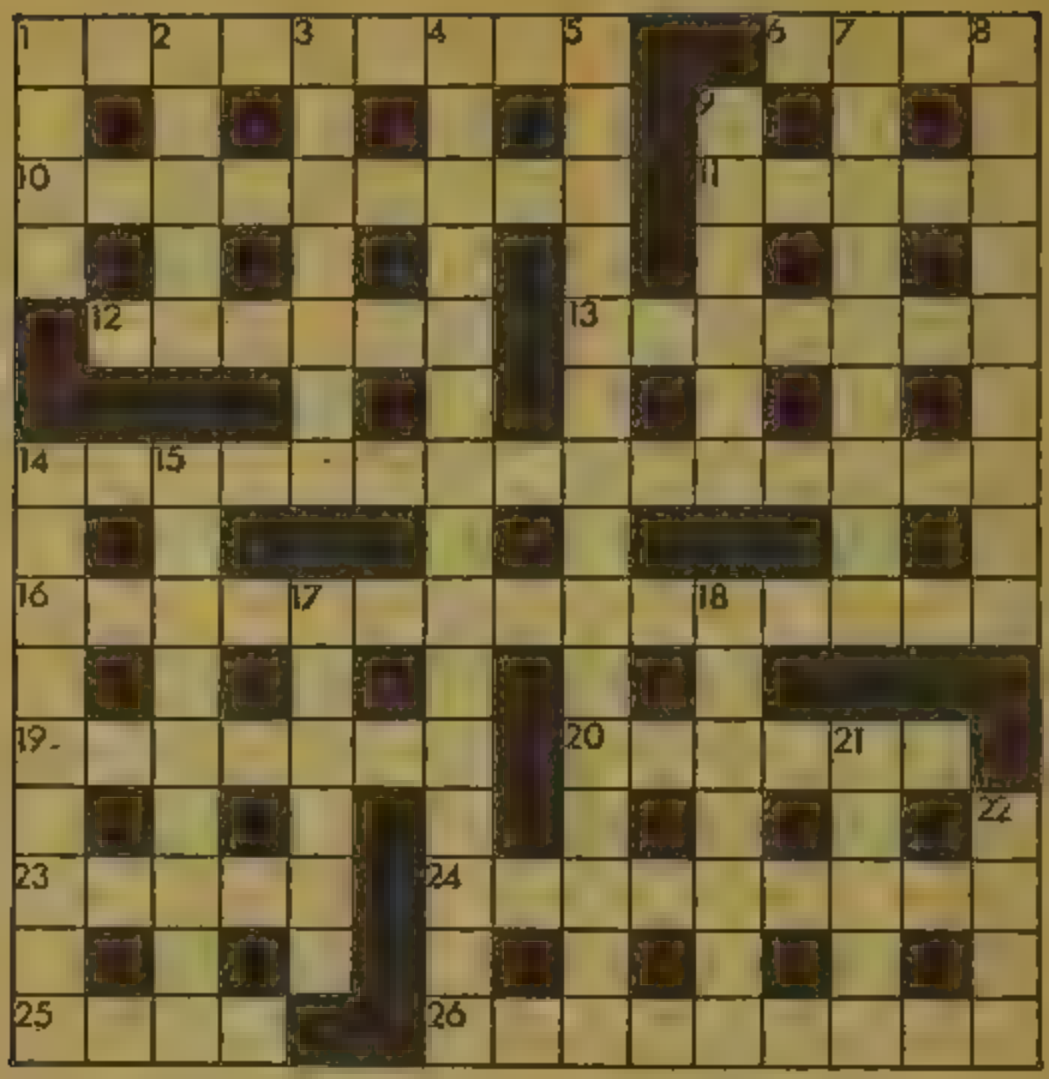

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1 One's family might be orientals (9)
6 Here are the horses and this'll fix the collar (4)
10 Ready for sterilizing, and where to put healing ointment? (2, 3, 4)
11 Window-frames to which dogs become much attached (5)
12 To make one like to finish a spike (6)
13 Look after poetry in Old English (7)
14 Quarters, for instance—coarse parts? (6, 9)
16 Blunders plus something to cause an explosion in the building trade (6, 3, 6)
19 Cap and ties so treated as to be free from infection (7)
20 After work I took something soothing (6)
23 Fibre obtainable from moist leaves (5)
24 This month I entrance and provoke (9)
25 There's only one standard and not a thousand (4)
26 These desires must be beheaded to produce an income (9)

DOWN

1 Space in which to put up a dark man (4)
2 Swindled—that's admitted (3, 2)
3 On the spot is a girl (7)
4 A musty atmosphere in the sacred edifice? (5, 2, 8)
5 Seaside resort where you'll see wriggling toes on real sands (2, 8, 2, 3)
7 Public vehicles are a great joy (9)
8 Dealer I had up with a poet (9)
9 Watch-chain eaten by a lion (6)
14 Child under 6 sits on electrical unit, causing rapid, trembling movement (9)
15 Where there's a racecourse, jockey eats a sweet (9)
17 The luggage, a carriageful of people, and a pet as well (6)
18 View that is sanctimonious in a cause of tears (7)
21 Wake and take some healthy exercise (5)
22 Stride up in huffs (4)

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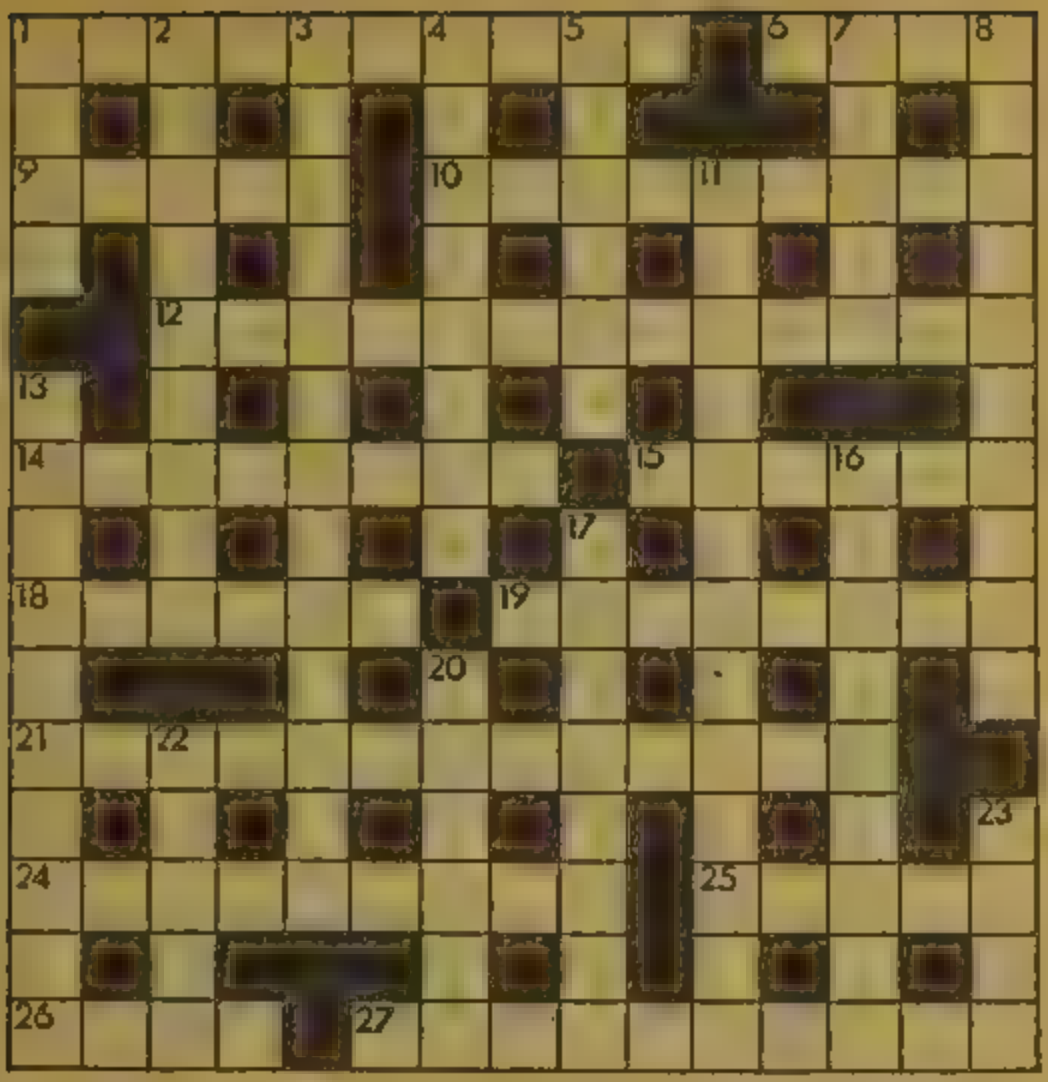

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1 Slander, upsetting aunt with malice (10)
6 Despots arrive—that includes this one (4)
9 Doctor's got something for the ashes; express your grief (5)
10 By the lake I'll have a shack that's lost lustre (9)
12 Record blushing sex appeal with skill—that's shameful (13)
14 I'm here in the shattered fort for that purpose (8)
15 Regular courses, or mere scraps (6)
18 Apocryphal book associated with Norman (6)
19 Cheese that upsets the spare man (8)
21 Correct always in split—that describes the Bishop (5, 8)
24 East risen with explosive bewilderment—and he makes it sound better than it is (9)
25 Ring girdle that you get at the seaside (5)
26 You can't have a dam without one, my lord (4)
27 Puts back in office to control nations (10)

DOWN

1 Card on the dressing-table (4)
2 She's going to wash, look, and strip, too (9)
3, 4 Member of Government responsible for food supply? (8, 2, 3, 8)
5 Artillery left in the sea produces violent language (6)
7 Superior person ploughs his B.A. (5)
8 Setting to rights—with a change of clothes? (10)
11 Publication of the half-time scores? (7, 6)
13 Get the attendant on board to boil a tattered dress (10)
16 Revealing the silver lining? (6, 3)
17 King's favourite presented unfinished jewel (8)
20 Gorge and corrupt (6)
22 Sick hen displaying amazement? (5)
23 Solutions that typists have at their finger-tips (4)

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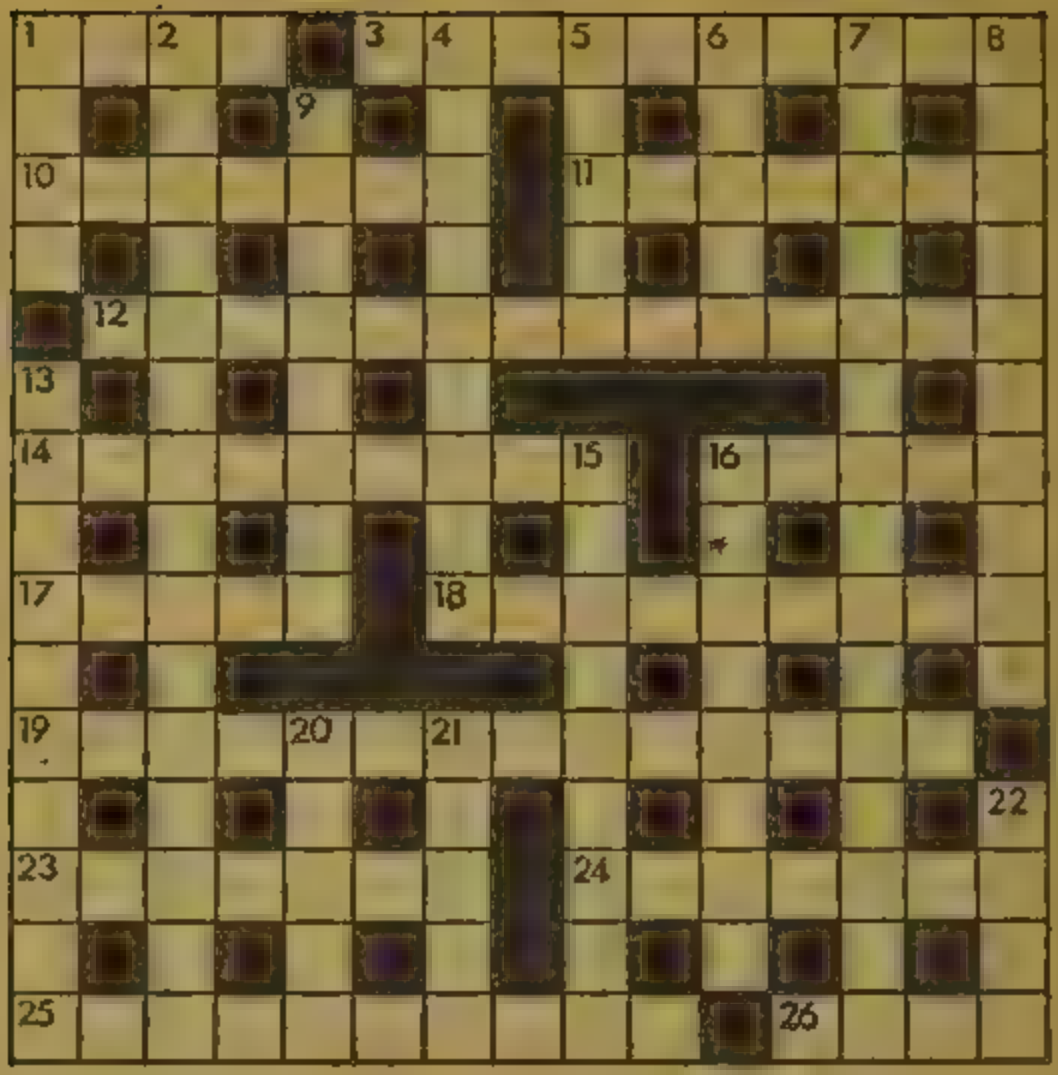

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1 Like a soprano, a bit overripe? (4)
3 It's amazing -'phone out of order, chaps: forwarll (10)
10 150 in good time, without a doubt (6)
11 Oral examination permit reversed in the Middle East (3, 4)
12 Type of old car-carrier with a flag (8-6)
14 Disappointing discovery in a stable? (5, 4)
16 Flimsy stuff from a classic repertoire (5)
17 I shall appear in *Le Cygne* as the lover (5)
18 Note revealing sad disaster of Bevis and the mere (9)
19 Those who learn to say "Gee!" instead of "by Jove!" (5-9)
23 One who coats cakes with dark liquid: it's smooth and slippery (3, 4)
24 This bowler simply won't keep on straight (7)
25 Shiny (rather baggy?) bridal attire, perhaps (5, 5)
26 Amphibious weapon-holder (4)

DOWN

1 Wine joint (4)
2, 9 Got stage grant rearranged—completely rearranged for one of posterity (5-5-5-8)
4 Workers who should have a place in the sun (3-6)
5 Heath's absence is observed (5)
6 Find me shelter in the mix-up (5)
7, 8 Line of Lear, emphasizing the hire-purchase system? (5, 5, 5, 5, 5)
9 See 2 down (8)
13 Scouts give eastern girl a heavenly sign (10)
15 A danger in Scottish caps that grow by the seaside (9)
16 Compartments where unusual lice invade little beasts (8)
20 On and on—I'll be in it—likely to be in a stew (5)
21 Creator getting 'em mixed up with the ark (5)
22 Dress up and blow your own trumpet (4)

11

ACROSS

1 An indication of the speed at which we're going down hill? (4, 4)
5 Benefit to be by no means whole (6)
10 Oppose a theatre that wasn't very dressy, so to speak? That's quixotic (4, 2, 1, 8)
11 See the company bite a Russian copper (6)
12 A playing-field that's stranded (7)
14 Job for a coach, or this put differently (9)
16 Excessive—not to be paid yet (5)
17 County ground with no leg side—censure is indicated (5)
18 Shopkeepers sit racked in a place of torment (9)
19 Crooked hat—a disfigurement—all sideways (7)
20 Half a pair of pants given back as a prize (6)
23 Barman with twisted blade that may be reversed (15)
25 A source of heat to remove moisture from divers (6)
26 Respectful, always returning with regular payment (8)

DOWN

1 The barrel—or the other end?—or perhaps the target (4)
2 Grip and sensitivity—great sailors have it (6, 5)
3 Study East, a famous novelist (5)
4 What the promoter does after a good first night? (6, 3, 5)
6 If you bring this bird down, it'll do the same to you (5-4)
7 Oriental gentleman starts a libel-action (3)
8 Regalia—not too tight to wear, evidently (4, 5)
9 I'm Paris, a topper, but crooked: do what he did to Helen (14)
13 What no residence ever is in an advertisement (11)
14 Men like Herod violate charters to a T (9)
15 Engineers need pamphlet or means to check machinery? (9)
21 This is the west extremity—beware of its thin one (5)
22 Fast, and only yours for a limited time (4)
24 Classy navy vessel (3)

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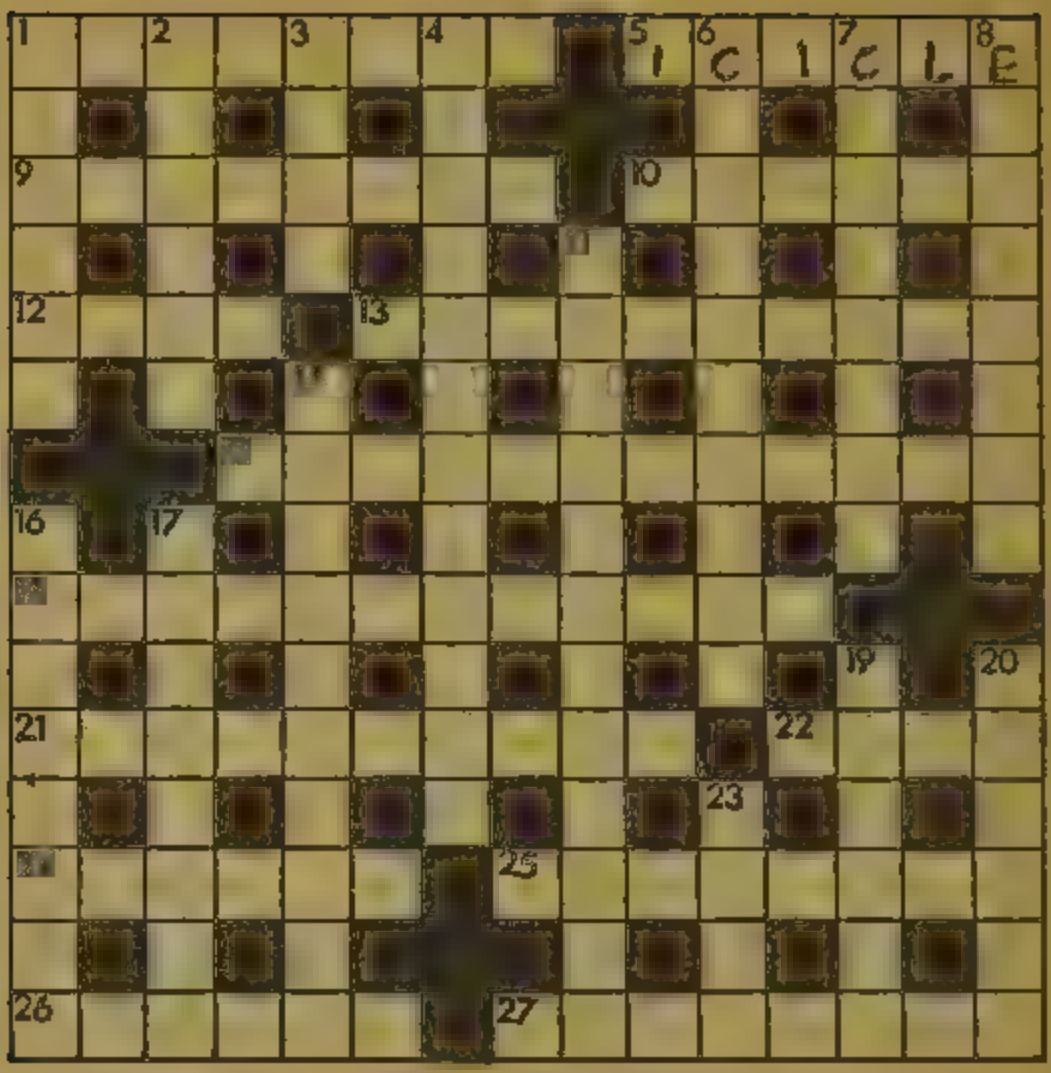

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1 Irate bid produces invective (8)
5 In the attic I clean—a relic of winter? (6)
9 Guardsman's wear is more decent than it sounds (8)
10 Label in the Spanish smooth coat (6)
12 Flag girl—a bit of an eyeful (4)
13 Extremely noisy affair about inferior (10)
15 Delicate electrical devices—the very last word (4, 8)
18 Put the embassy underground for a respite (12)
21 Policeman gets cannier in a way: this system concerns revolvers (10)
22 French novelist of embrace and love (4)
24 Stuff made of carefully worked vole fur without a top (6)
25 He's guilty of protection against fire (8)
26 Desire wildly to live (6)
27 Odd form of scone—scarlet and also marked in blue (8)

DOWN

1 Wreckage seen when knight with plot is overthrown (6)
2 A rotten cigar isn't usually poisonous (6)
3 Hamlet said it was silence—it often is (4)
4 Coward's cheerful with gin, perhaps (6, 6)
6 Study translation for a change (10)
7 Unfinished humorous play about a bunker, all in one (8)
8 He praises the wood in a discordant suite (8)
11 How the highway robber went riding? (2, 3, 7)
14 You'll have fun here, and it's a good cause (4, 6)
16 Find the record turned (8)
17 Strong drink in a steamer produces dotty results (8)
19 The rise of the communist spirit is a great crime (6)
20 Scorching hill delivered (6)
23 A great cricketer's means of vision (4)

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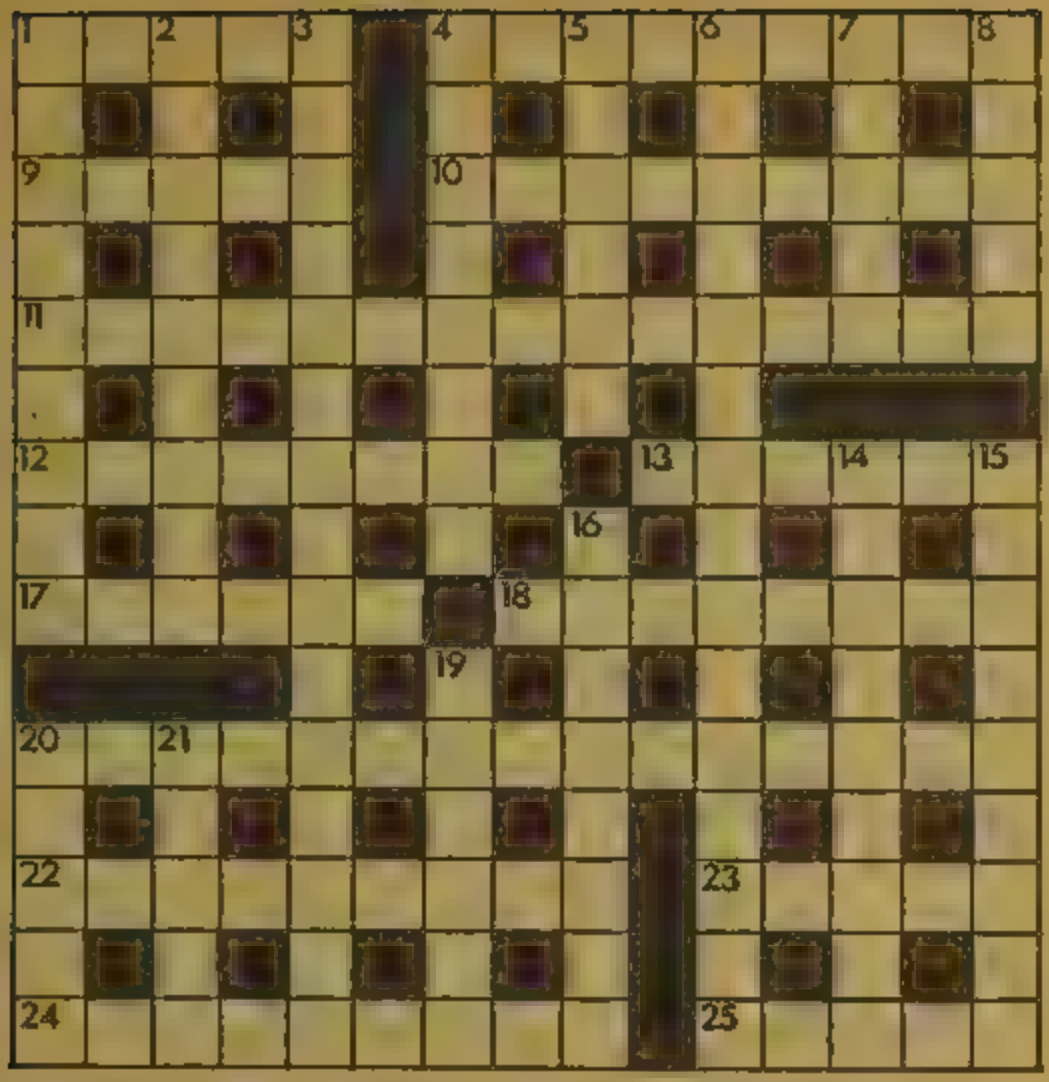

ACROSS

1 Rubbish like official lists (5)
4 They often share secrets with you and me (4-5)
9 This Italian has to be very soft with love (5)
10 To ensure there's no friction, it must be built with care—not like that (9)
11 This doctor believes in fresh air —makes I happy, tho', Sister (15)
12 Browning, addressing a poisonous weapon (8)
13 Name of hill range: chaps go down (6)
17 Garden implement with a white horse on top, perhaps (6)
18 Narcotic makes one calm about tea-time (8)
20 Got a move on, and overcame garrulity? (7, 2, 3, 3)
22 Causes of an awful pain? Not pies, Ma—mince (9)
23 There's nothing persistent in this scent (5)
24 What did the chemist do? Expired embracing Sir Patrick (9)
25 Wanting, i.e. intellect is curtailed with us (5)

DOWN

1, 2 Causes a redistribution of wealth among Saints? (4, 5, 2, 3, 4)
3 Dense, as swingers of golf-clubs are taught to be (4, 2, 3, 6)
4 An expletive, including language, will help to get things set (8)
5 Lozenge that is potent in the dry (6)
6 This ensures that a washer won't be disturbed (7, 8)
7 A. P. H. is becoming a cavalryman in Algeria (5)
8 Amounted to inferior grain (5)
14 In action on something soft? That's cheating (5, 4)
15 Infallible in excuses, they'll give you a good time (9)
16 Like Rudolf, fond of the bottle? (3-5)
19 A Spaniard is a good looker (6)
20 Tasteful, yet gloomy without and sanctimonious within (5)
21 Part of the tonsils less often displayed by boys to-day (5)

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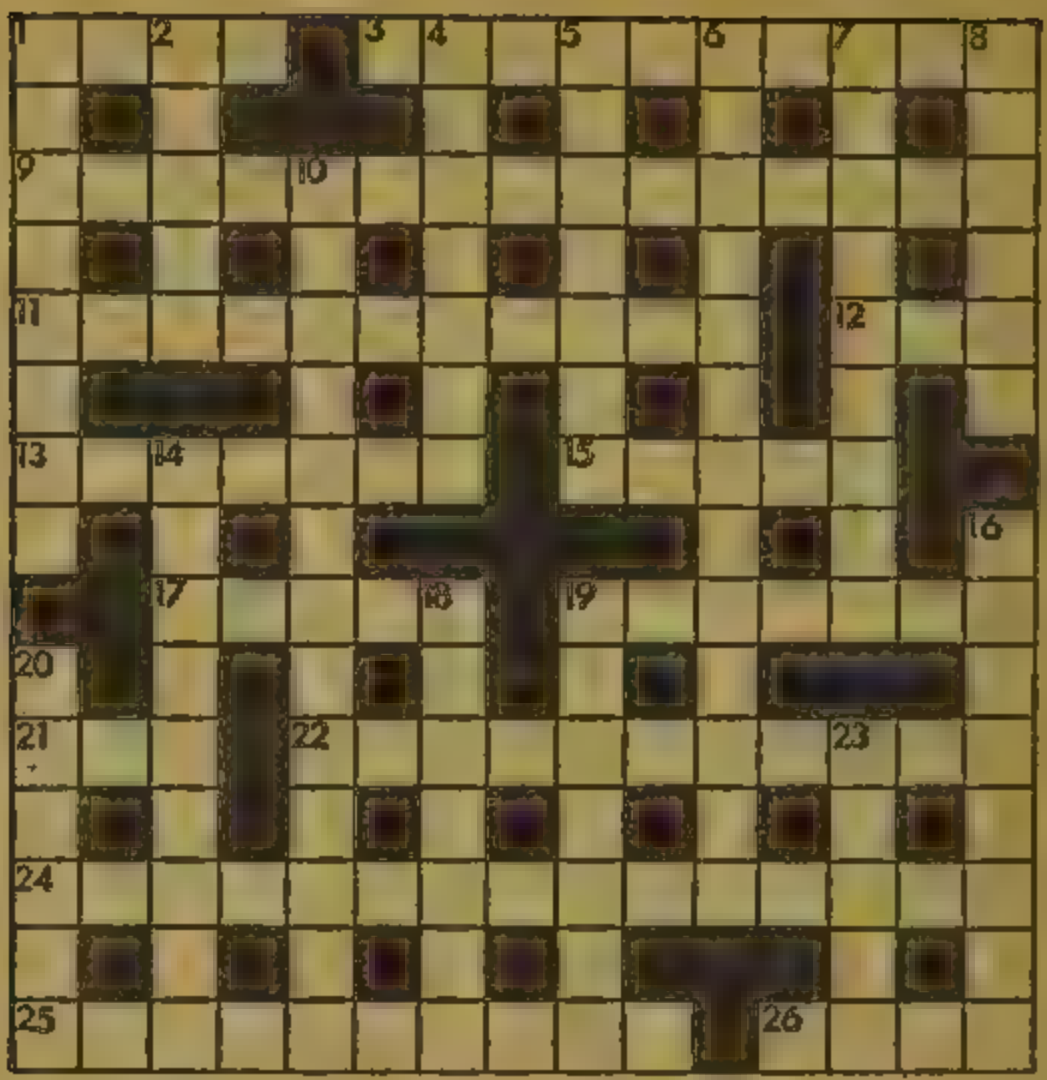

ACROSS

1 A bit of adroit cheating can be very irritating (4)
3 What is a student, if buried in some form of cinetics? (10)
9 Going too far, and probably very hot (8, 3, 4)
11 To strengthen things, 'ad it put right in comfort (11)
12 A small point, but appropriate (3)
13 To try to get the truth out of the family: it'll bear considerable fruit (7)
15 Loud sounds ring in the little ones (5)
17 Nine (pigs) cooped up together? No, far more than that (5)
19 Little bird expires inside, but it's very much the reverse of messy (7)
21 An issue and some back numbers (3)
22 I might be near the fire, later on in this (11)
24 What a youth backs for the spring double event? (1, 5, 4, 5)
25 Humble weather prophets: one of them helped *les aristos* (10)
26 This poet is *de trop* in a saloon car (4)

DOWN

1 Fatal rock: there's very short protection against the weather (8)
2 No orchestra starts up to make a painful noise (5)
4 Study the indicator and make a transmission (7)
5 Quotation from what used to be a pamphlet? (7)
6 After the lemons comes this other little drink, perhaps—same again (3, 6, 4)
7 This dish can make cafés rise (9)
8 Recuperate in north and south of California—just the place for winter sports (6)
10 Where flowery, and fragrant, swapping goes on? (5, 8)
14 To lead astray a maiden unfinished in figure (9)
16 Shop has variegated dye, having several floors (8)
18 Railway worker, or detective? (7)
19 Well advanced in test for narcotic drug (7)
20 Slope, the place for varied capers (6)
23 Dance whose beat has vigour (5)

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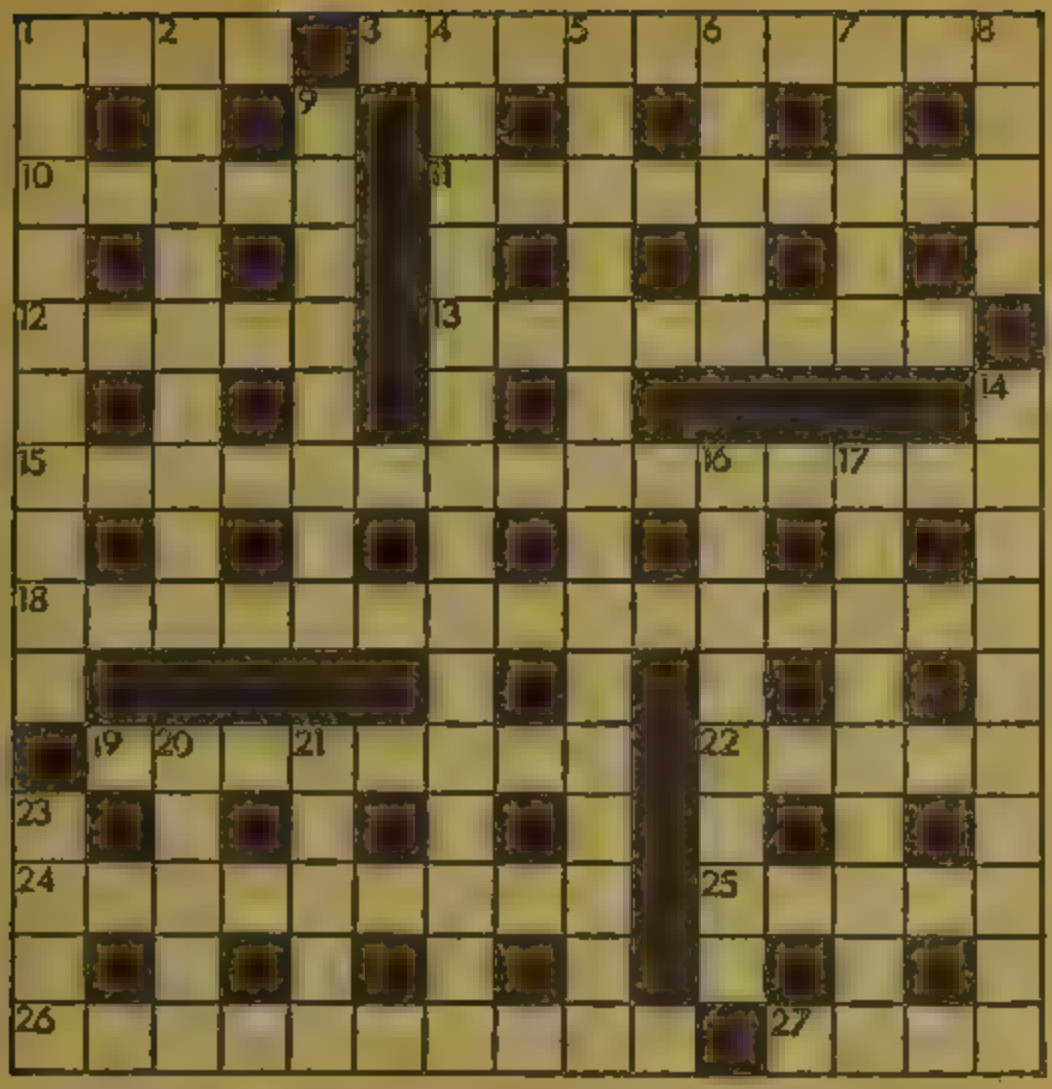

ACROSS

1 Make a dent in the bonnet (4)
3 They provide transport, including Desire (6-4)
10 It's a bit of a rotten nuisance, having nothing to do (5)
11 Being potentially anti-wife I set a trap for others (3, 2, 4)
12 Spitfire will come back with it—that's understood (5)
13 In elaborate style, with gold, neatly arranged (8)
15 Someone often puts his lips close to me and talks intimately in a confined space (6, 9)
18 Commissionaire, who knows how to keep the wolf from the door? (5, 4, 6)
19 Spanish girl, with neither form of glamour when bathing, apparently (8)
22 Jute, an early import to our shores, in camphor sacks (5)
24 Fool has two mixed gins while doing the allotment (9)
25 This canon is very plump in appearance (5)
26 The wild nomad I shake off is given a raspberry (10)
27 Always eager to raise a moan (4)

DOWN

1 Charming bit of Swiss scenery? Yes, and a nasty predicament (6, 4)
2 Royal poisoner, liable to have mumps? (4, 5)
4 Inadequate subtitle for *London, Paris and New York*? (4, 2, 3, 6)
5 Matrimonial problem that bores young mathematicians? (7, 8)
6 The up-and-down principle (5)
7 Help—that sounds like one of Salome's (5)
8 Mixed teas to make one too full (4)
9 Harsh words to help rising family (8)
14 Unruly assembly: you'll have to put up with several plots (4-6)
16 An ancient god in a suit is a bit too much (8)
17 Pop when drunk or accompanied by melody is right on time (9)
20 Ill-constructed poems associated with salts (5)
21 Instrument for beheading a Welshman (5)
23 Priest who beheads a beast of burden (4)

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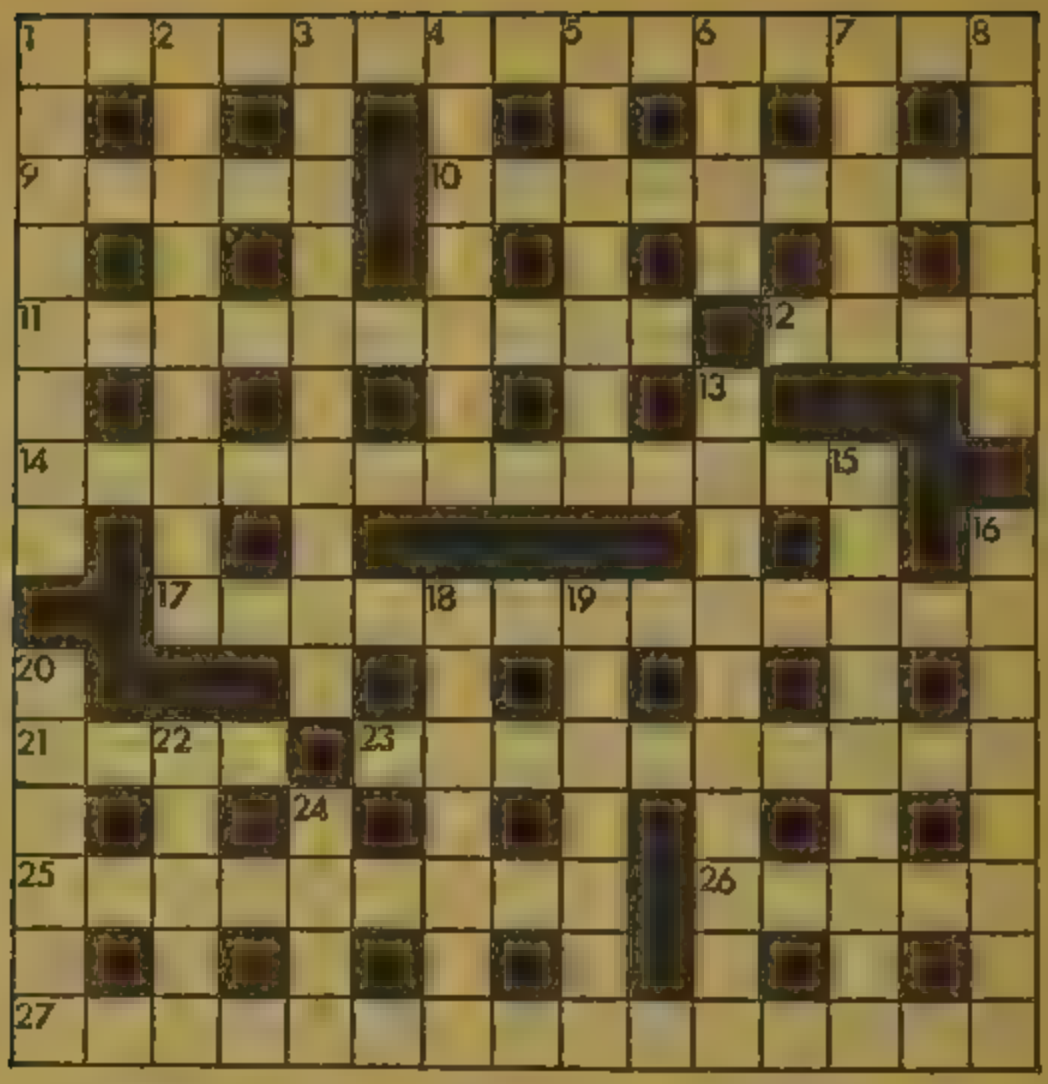

ACROSS

1 I'm small, snappy and well developed (15)
9 New York like a great lake (5)
10 My amusing upset in the training centre (9)
11 Very comforting bedfellows (3, 7)
12 Formerly a feature of reunion celebrations (4)
14, 17 Do blind guides, who *this* and *that*, prefer the hump to getting stung? (6, 2, 1, 4, 7, 1, 5)
21 A modest pale grey (4)
23 Hard growth flexibly secured by a good harvest (4, 6)
25 Is this sort of tripe too sugary for some tastes? (9)
26 You want to be in 'ealthy surroundings. Poplar's the thing (5)
27 Solution to an intrigue—gentleman ends it with a new arrangement (15)

DOWN

1 The publican to try to blow up a crowd? (4, 4)
2 Solemn deed is the creator of the Saint (9)
3 You'll see actor rail wildly about nothing—very flowery (10)
4 Meal including kippers that are past their best? (4, 3)
5 Fit of fury with a thing that sticks to the wall (7)
6 Butter—do tiresome people get yours? (4)
7 A legal right for a stranger (5)
8 To interfere with a big basket (6)
13 I can upset a parson, but it's not right (10)
15 I'm a bit under age, and I keep my hands in front of my face (9)
16 Pet badly upset—result of a bad day's gambling (4-4)
18 A whole constellation and not just one operatic heroine (7)
19 Blast rising chatter—he talks too much (4-3)
20 Crazy about the girl—went in for old-fashioned flirting (6)
22 One of Long John Silver's men may earn a penalty (5)
24 To praise extravagantly sounds just like him (4)

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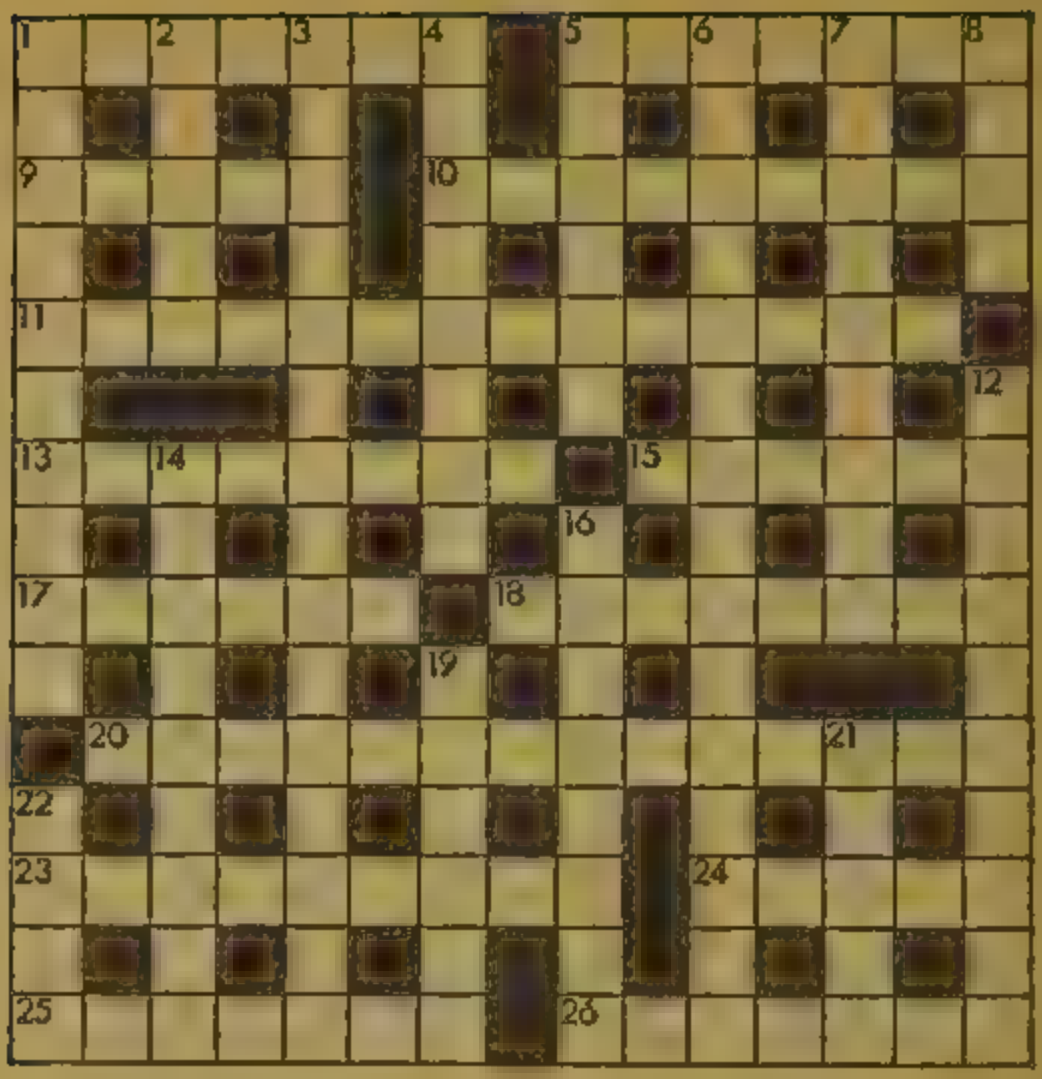
ACROSS

1 Puled discordantly, after being —— the garden? (3, 2)
4 List of casualties reveals heart trouble in Guy's girl (5, 4)
9 Question about foe's movements, to be addressed to policeman? (3, 4, 3, 5)
10 Sort of lace for tying 'em up, by the sound of it (10)
11 Here's a fish, but don't cook it like this (4)
13 A deserter to beat, and a suitable weapon (6)
14 Flag and something to tie it to (8)
16 Points west of south are unnecessary (8)
18 Old coins associated with John up north (6)
20 Bother the mending (4)
21 College authority on horseback, not far from Cambridge (10)
23 Rival at the bar? (7-8)
24 How the strawberry thief gets caught? (3-6)
25 Talks too much in scientific lectures (5)

DOWN

1 See the bird laugh in opera (9)
2 How the deb's dance frock suits her? (4, 2, 3, 6)
3 How a brief plot can be made productive (10)
4 To practise with wisdom—that's the doctor's job (6)
5 One to obstruct transversely (7)
6 A bounder to follow closely (4)
7 Passionately, like a Balaclava helmet? (4, 4, 3, 4)
8 A bookie and a course (5)
12 Providing a most attractive form of transport (10)
15 Splits and perishes when about to warm it up (9)
17 The engineers in the contingent must be bribed (7)
19 Dolt is, both actually and potentially (6)
20 Scenery, etc., kept in an outside corner-cupboard (5)
22 Famous radio show—it was just the thing to get Mother (4)



ACROSS

1 Gamble about drooping: that'll keep you warm (7)
5 Plot beats places of uproar (7)
9 A useful sort of wind for traffic (5)
10 Has a near miss, and becomes stuffy? (4, 5)
11 Excessive showers (14)
13 Company languishes round me: they'll make one laugh (8)
15 Very little record of what has been done (6)
17 Course to be taken with an Afghan (6)
18 A loading goes wrong from corner to corner (8)
20 Educationalists whose charges are fairer than those at your school, sir (14)
23 Flap about troublous woes in any way you like (9)
24 It's plain on everyone returning (5)
25 A rickety vehicle—it's poisonous (7)
26 River, viz. restrained to a T (7)

DOWN

1 Goat gets trophies, but they won't win prizes at the flower show (10)
2 Confound—a sailor's on a tree (5)
3, 4 To militate against the disruption of the Psycho-Corporeal Union—in other words, tuck in (4, 4, 3, 4, 8)
5 Frenchman in small British school (6)
6 Refusing toast? That's what we find in invalids (9, 6)
7 Concerning an item in the show, soldiers must do it right (5, 4)
8 Get rid of an outhouse (4)
12 Help Solent to become a bigger, ancient strait (10)
14 Native ingenuity—would you call that dam funny? (6, 3)
16 Strip cue may cause upheaval in these entertainments (8)
19 Famous pirate—a match for several coppers (6)
21 Expensive seat occupied by cows (5)
22 Thunderer in sabbath oration (4)

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ACROSS

1 Bidding takes place at this: it's between two banks (6)
4 Trained to produce old coin in ebbing river (8)
9 High up detective is little short of brilliant (5)
10 Friendly relations? Never, never (4, 5)
11 What the storm does eventually prize-fight finished? (5, 4)
12 Réchauffé of sorts—pronounce nacely (5)
13 The valley of the shadow of unemployment? (9, 4)
17 Sympathetic my foot? (13)
19 Early Teutonic warrior gets nothing in rash upset (5)
21 They keep a club (sort of), nips being available too (9)
23 Chap to achieve a business: here's an instrument (9)
24 The sofa and arm-chairs sound charming (5)
25 Get a young ox with plenty of experience: that's the cheapest way to travel (8)
26 Old convict before the beak? It's just the reverse in India (6)

DOWN

1 Here's a rubberneck: put a rozzer on the corpse (8)
2 I am ready, for all to see, but quite unprepared (9)
3 Pierces panels in a dress (5)
5 Record revolutionary I submit for debate—scandalous (13)
6 Vessel goes about a west country river—was once a fireship—still a spitfire (9)
7 Show an Italian town in lecturing (5)
8 Done for—on toast, perhaps (6)
10 Trying to overhear collapse of part of roof? (13)
14 Try scrimmaging over a dune (9)
15 Mix a man gin and It, putting in plenty of spirit (9)
16 Being frail, encourages a haunt of vice (3-5)
18 Munches wide expanses of grass in France (6)
20 Row in an old-fashioned kitchen (5)
22 The result is a fabric with no top to it (5)

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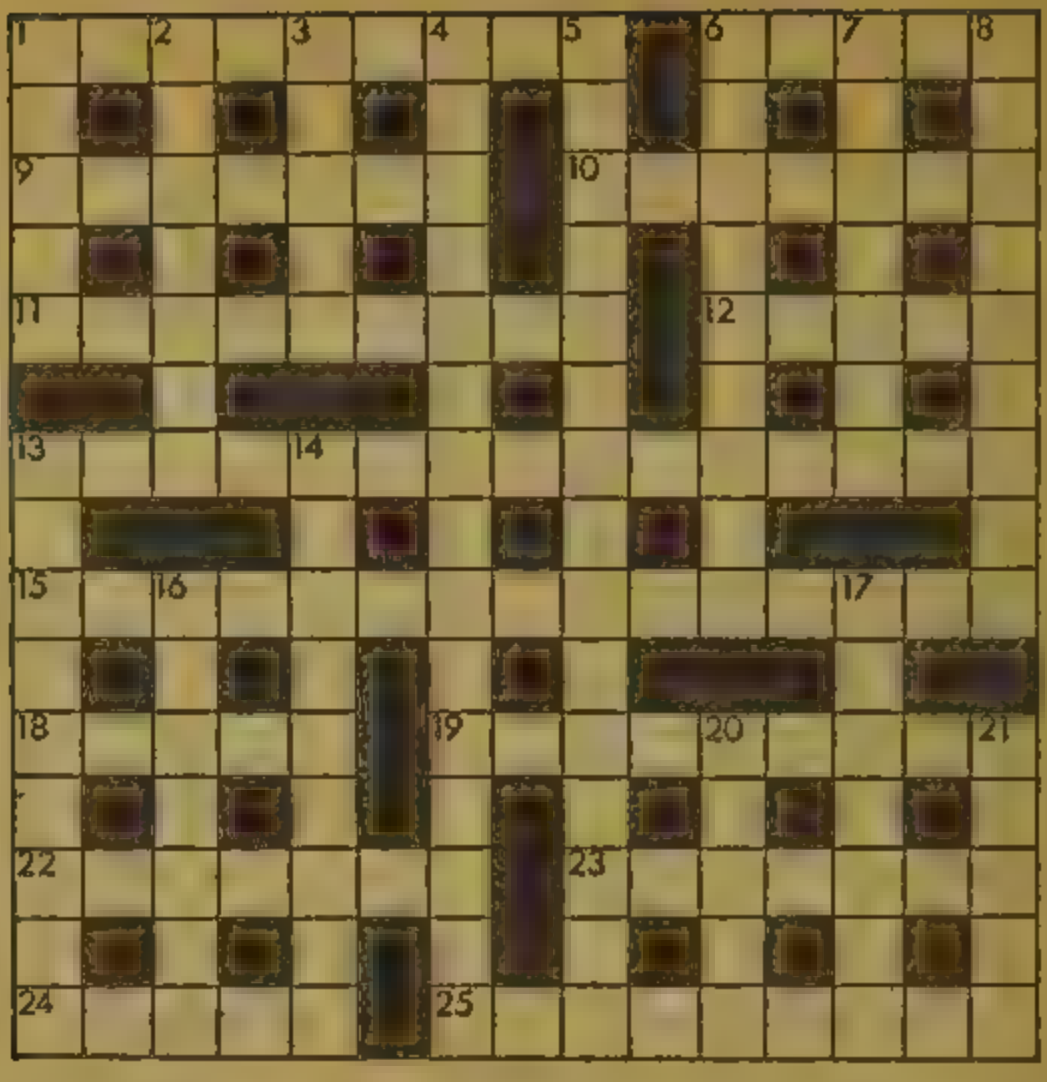

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1 What the railway passenger does when his mastery deteriorates? (5, 4)
6 Go gently, so as to dissipate the blame (5)
9 Capital crest, so to speak, for the best Grannie? (7)
10 Coloured like a flower withered in a straight shoot (4-3)
11 Pause and observe the maker of the four-minute mile record (4-5)
12 What do you take us for?, said victims to gangsters (5)
13 A sort of hot-dog-fight in ancient Greece? (6, 2, 7)
15 What the patient does when his tooth's out, like Christmas each year (5, 5, 5)
18 French town to be studied in grammar lesson (5)
19 Follow the Conservatives' lead—an author's privilege (9)
22 O clutch me the wrong way, and the result is a ban (7)
23 Bird with a cwest on (7)
24 Engineers a quarrel, to settle a disputed result in bumping races (5)
25 Something for the non-U lap (9)

DOWN

1 Cause of forgetfulness—much above you and me (5)
2 Take a little wine—that will sustain you (7)
3 Source of strength in curiously blended wines (5)
4 Farming principle, observed by farmer who had one over the eight? (8, 2, 5)
5 One's grip? Shoppers find it isn't what it was (10, 5)
6 Part of the Commonwealth nearly all included in a European country (9)
7 Bedroom to be tidied up—that's tedious (7)
8 Man who usually succeeds (6, 3)
13 Ale—you see, we hear, a tankard inside—for the sea-dog (9)
14 To endure rising disfigurements is too much for a camel (4, 5)
16 Coast where you'll find bad French a hindrance (7)
17 The cracked nut game is to increase (7)
20 The spokes of the mathematician's wheel (5)
21 This is quite tight, whether present, past or future (5)

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ACROSS

1 South African Scottish F.C.—they're all out of the top drawer (6)
4 Thrash one of the boys in a Welsh College (8)
9 North America in comparison with O.T. prophet (6)
10 Dolphin, an unusual pro with dignity and assurance (8)
12 The vehicles to cause strong emotion (9)
13 Boy well forward in our alphabet (5)
14 What presidents, and condemned murderers in U.S.A., do (4, 3, 5)
18 Vehicle for conveyance of the latest issue (12)
21 Lordly Belgian Town? (5)
22 Try getting the last word before the end of it; this shows what's left (9)
24 The eastern guide has to pull a fellow round a ring (8)
25 List of charges causes quarrel, including beginnings of an argument (6)
26 Despatches including a gratuity to complete the salaries (8)
27 Married, in short, a charming girl—gets eaten by cows (6)

DOWN

1 Sty with cat in, very messy: it has its special odour (8)
2 Where bowlers go when taken off (8)
3, 5 Courses round wild country and fails to reach the vital point (5, 5, 3, 4)
6 A certain kind of wave in little ball produces stationery (5-4)
7 More than double double Dutch about the pound (6)
8 Cheer wildly over nothing and make same noise again (6)
11 Mother's in the wood, writing: common sailor appears (8, 4)
15 That's why the foe err disastrously (9)
16 Always poetically in pain, but keeping things straight (8)
17 I'm appreciative—plenty of coal? (8)
19 Girl who took part in relieving Ladysmith (6)
20 I caned without restraint one half of the choir (6)
23 A prohibition on a river preferred by a leper (5)

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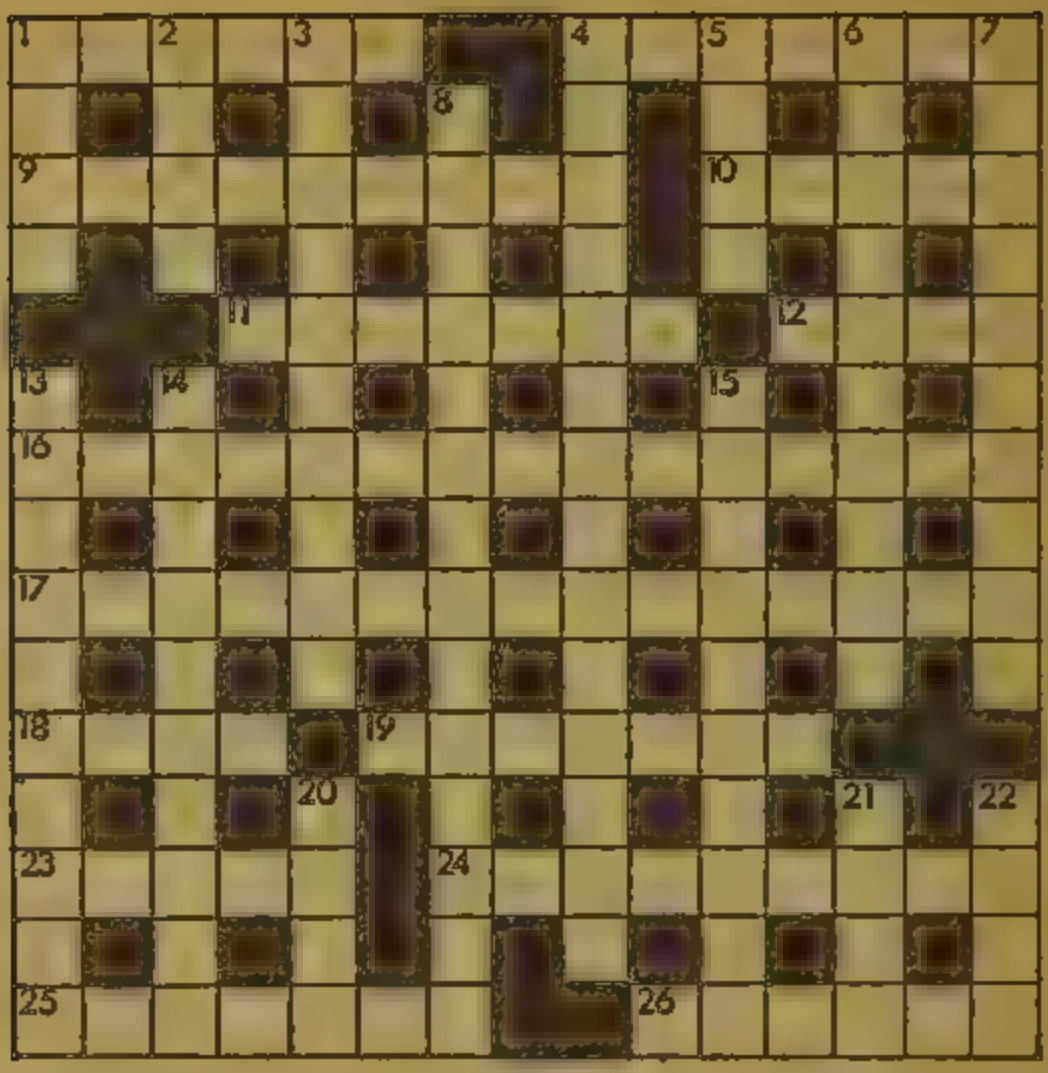

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1 Used to bowl for England—that's a fact (6)
4 Ticks off a deserter among busy workers (7)
9 The sort of bird to go over an account (9)
10 Musician appearing in clever display (5)
11 Savoury—a piece you don't often see? (7)
12 To move sideways is sometimes an advantage (4)
16 What makes fool dread to work? It should be eagerly anticipated (6, 7, 2)
17 The early English coming in again? These aren't the salient points (2-7, 6)
18 Nautical prelude to a bottle of rum (4)
19 Beg Eric to give you something cold (7)
23 See that you don't have an empty space (5)
24 Eglantine's twisted and far from graceful (9)
25 Got ready to eat before I did: result:—glut (7)
26 Is back in Paris, and then is back there again? Fly's the answer (6)

DOWN

1 A bad habit that grips you (4)
2 Cross, and a way in will turn up (4)
3 Disgruntled teams in marquees will show you what people have left (10)
4 They're truer than the truest pitches, yet breaks are possible on them (8-6)
5 Daring to lose head and go mad (4)
6 Where Irish Kings lived to trick people? That's not true (10)
7 Derby runner? Suffolk punch is more like it (5, 5)
8 As French Indies are in confusion, take away political privileges (14)
13, 14 If a remedy is wanted for this ailment, it's not so much good talking (10, 4, 6)
15 Boorish, and without peculiarities? (10)
20 I distribute fifty short that's a possibility (4)
21 Stop here, finding walking difficult (4)
22 Having a good man over you can be painful (4)

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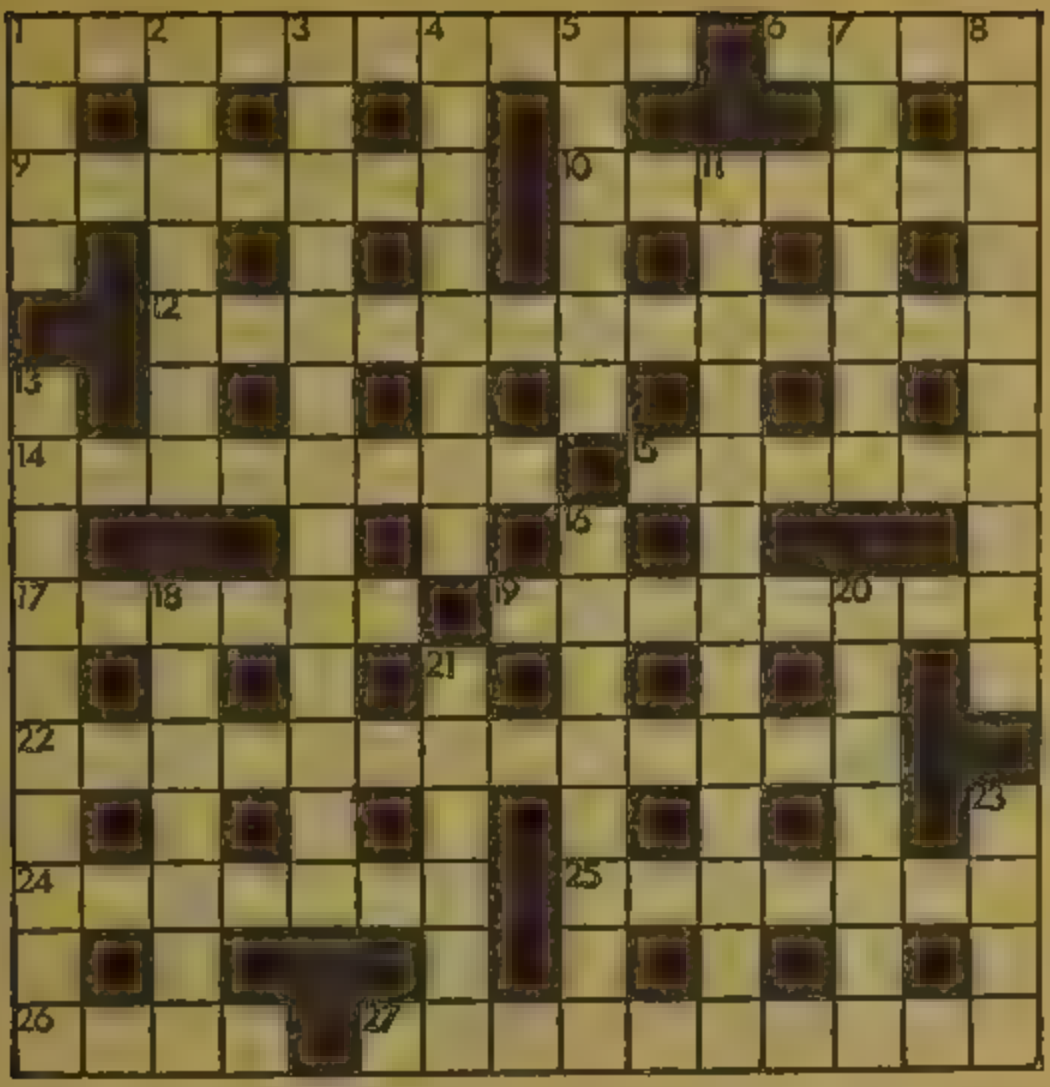

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1 Is profits tax included in the fantastic figure? Yes: it makes for a healthy state (10)
6 He works when he shouldn't: that's crust (4)
9 Referee with paroxysms returns more like a corpse (7)
10 This parcel's a whole lot before time (7)
12 Hand-warmer used in an unusual form of enteric, coming on in spasms (13)
14 Patience, for example, is needed, working on a farm (8)
15 Spat in the tank lethargically (6)
17 I am stationed East to make a charge (6)
19 Something soft, piano, before our storm (8)
22 With regard to the cricket scene, it may cause contamination (8, 5)
24 Foreign coins—make a claim for fresh circulation (7)
25 99—99—not so much, reduced: they show that temperature's down (7)
26 Lodgings frequented by archaeologists (4)
27 The darned nuts are to be cracked, see (10)

DOWN

1 How one's horse often runs is a bit of a trial, somehow (4)
2 Whether four or six appear in the case is unimportant (7)
3 Cautious marriages? Yet their heads become inflamed (6, 7)
4 Picture bearing the painter with it (8)
5 Give 'im a couple to lessen the resistance (6)
7 Bed that some find nauseating (7)
8 Warders who aren't vegetarians (10)
11 Punitive beast with one extremity for each life? (3-1-4-5)
13 Hostile, after too much beer? (10)
16 I often follow a boat and stay up a river in France (8)
18 Paying guest about to arrest work on rose-trees (7)
20 Lamb, after wild hop, came to a watery grave (7)
21 Don't let people get out when swallowed by sea-bird (6)
23 Form of dues that has been tried before (4)

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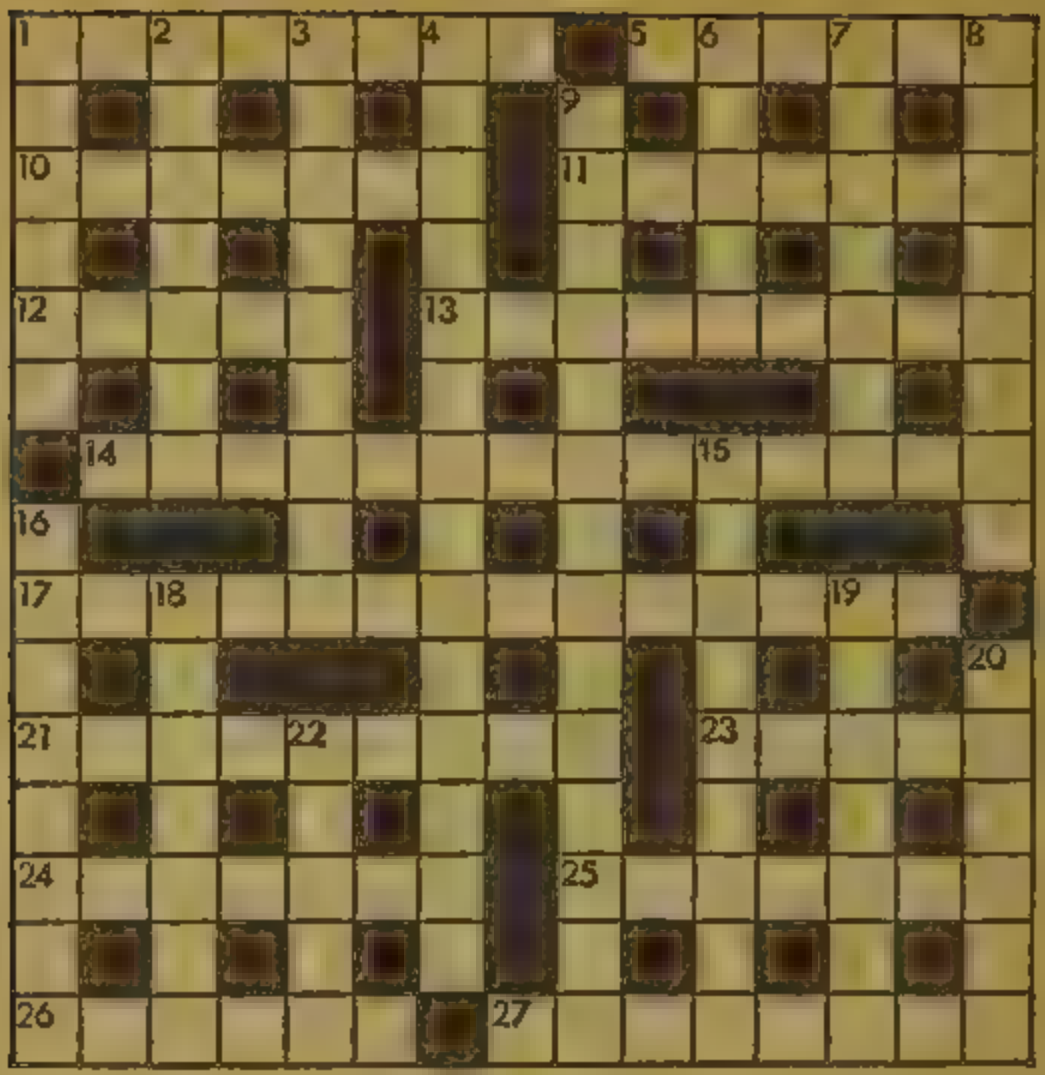

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1 Food for malicious talkers? It's often horsy (4-4)
5 Tax in credit? That's quite common in the moon (6)
10 Bird, in total effect, is just bone (7)
11 Lady with false hair—O, no (7)
12 The girl in green, i.e. celadon (5)
13 A poet with knowing looks deceives people (9)
14 Military laws of the Medes and Persians, or what the highwayman gave his victims? (8, 6)
17 The cuckoo out of captivity? (7, 2, 5)
21 Almost completely ersatz and worthless all round, but adaptable (9)
23 The low-down—that is the spirit (5)
24 Composer puts Scots county in extreme west of Ireland (7)
25 I am a spirit with an eagle's head fancy (7)
26 Longs for agreements about the Navy (6)
27 A club do bungle outrageously (8)

DOWN

1 Gaming house—a shameful thing in a superior officer (6)
2 Before in that is after that (7)
3 A lot to put on a horse—young blood—subject of a crazy scheme (6-3)
4 He calls every dropped catch a sitter—and that's what he is himself (8, 6)
6 Put fresh life into part of Irene W[redacted] (5)
7 He might change his name to René, etc. (7)
8 Make a fresh estimate of fools taken in by engineers (8)
9 Where to go for tough experience—such as the ground staff have had? (7, 3, 4)
15 Back the train official not to be in the van (4-5)
16 Insert bar into broken centre of cycle with skill (8)
18 Shakespearean girl like a charmer upside down (7)
19 I may get taken in by mild Aryan (7)
20 River always running from South to North (6)
22 To rest in one is repugnant (5)

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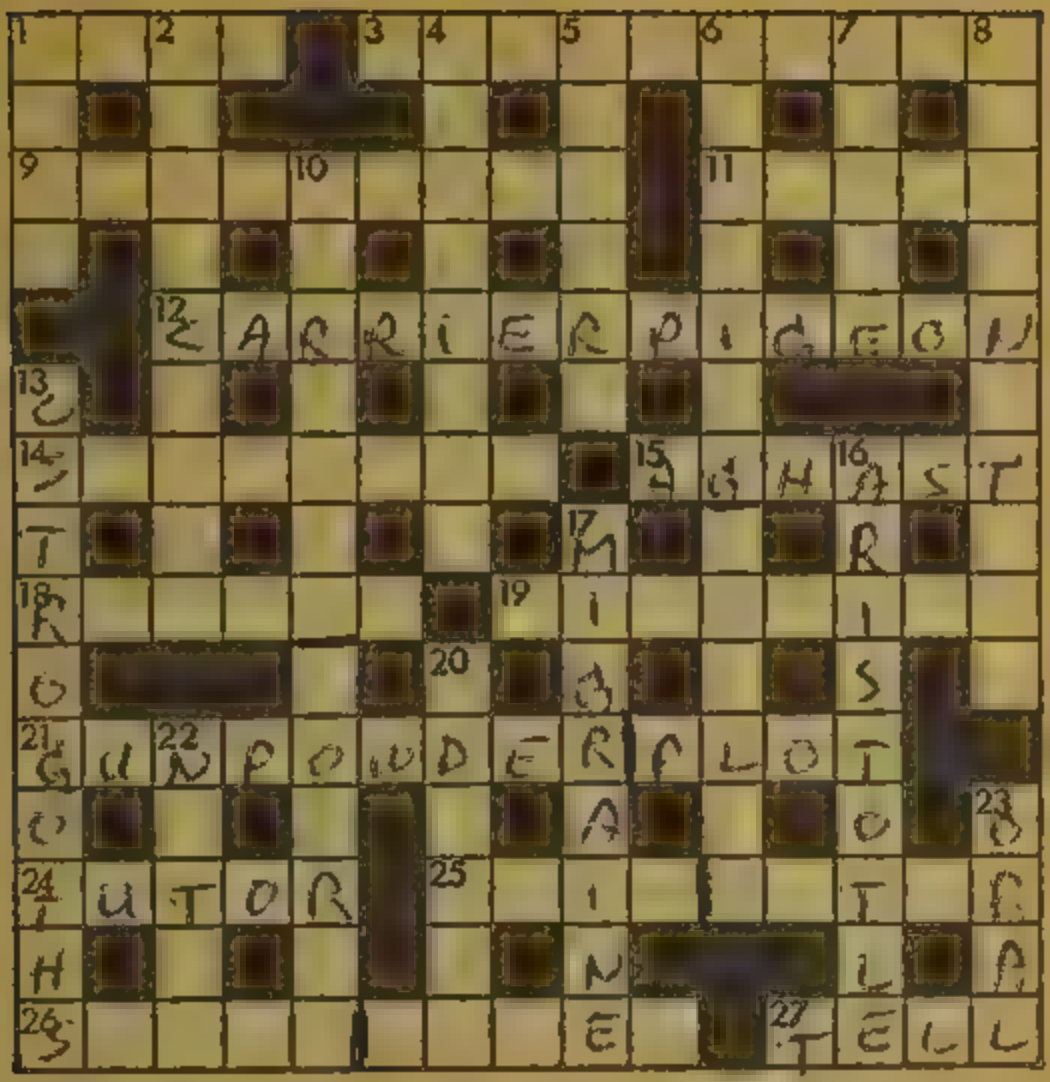

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1 A floater in Ireland (4)
3 Get a Diana in to stitch or sew, O man-at-arms (10)
9 Magnificent—as long as you've got a lighter (9)
11 Mopes wretchedly — having backed a loser here? (5)
12 I'm keen to get home—given to billing and cooing (7, 6)
14 That's b——y optimistic (8)
15 Horrified at gripping a terrible gash (6)
18 Sailor's jacket hand over about end of June (6)
19 If upset with insolence in love, I live on an island (8)
21 Unsuccessful attempt to make Parliament rise (9, 4)
24 Teacher's a queer form of trout (5)
25 Academy painter in oil? Clearly not: it's measured in inches (4-5)
26 Prickly shrub, with pleasant scent of tobacco? (5-5)
27 Count, a famous bowman (4)

DOWN

1 Crest wanted: search thoroughly (4)
2 Reserve of ice kept in bombed centre (9)
4 Compliant, love inclination about to perish (8)
5 General killed in tent by woman: old war-god is rising (6)
6 Pendulous harp-rack, or pathetic bat? (7, 6)
7 Billiard stroke that brings out the idiot in me (5)
8 I race under a French name: this is one of the entries (10)
10 Detective, better than police, upsets their poor clue (7, 6)
13 Queer sort o' barbarians, these eastern ones (10)
16 Philosopher had to get up when about to add fifty (9)
17 Re-aiming can give one a head- [illegible] like this (8)
20 Passionate lover has trouble concerning end of affair (6)
22 Nasty little egg about may cause explosions (5)
23 Unwritten part of morality (4)

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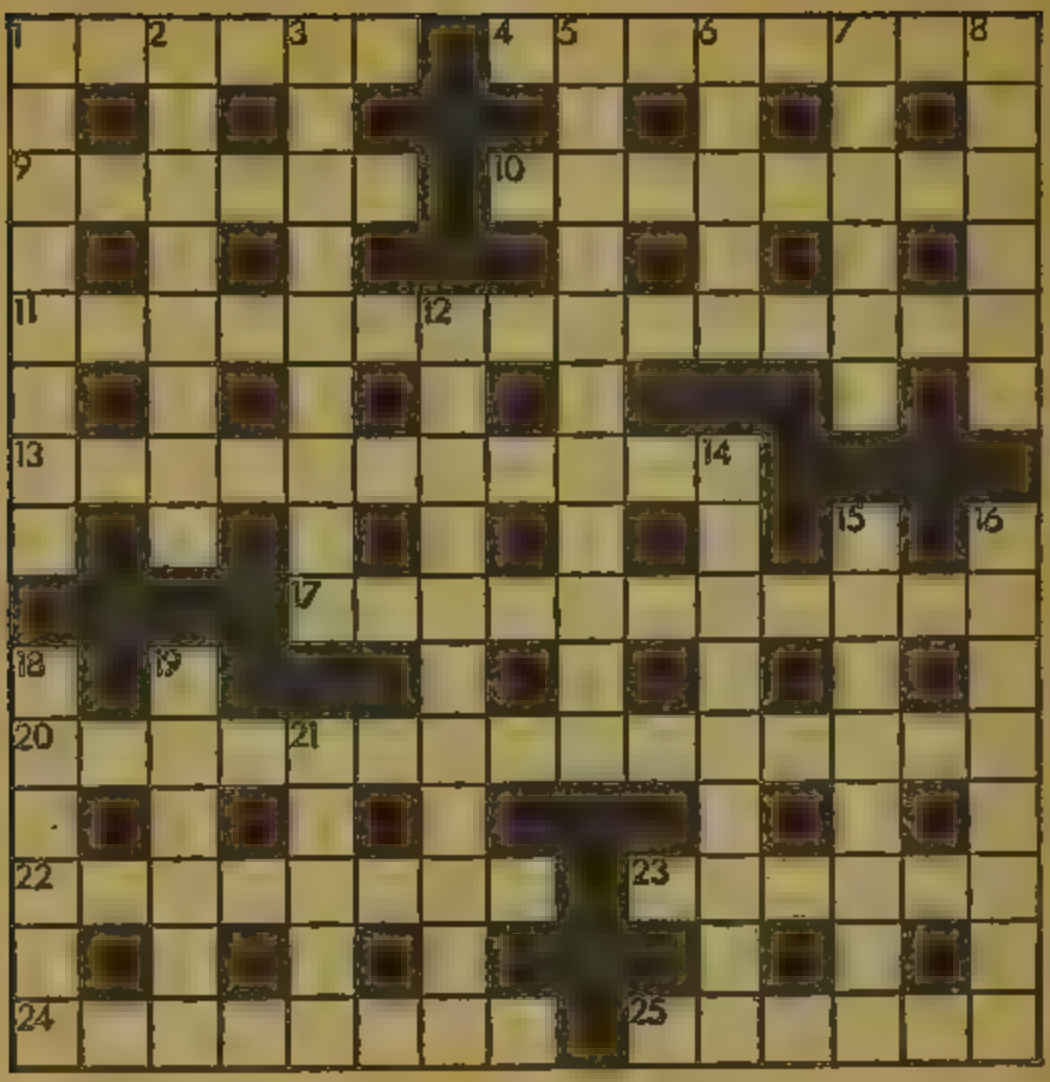

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1 Scurvy knave! The tweed's back to front (6)
4 Wards provide tortuous poser about sheep (8)
9 Station where you'll see us in school (6)
10 Easily influenced, having the last word accomplished (8)
11 A demand for retribution at the dentist's? (1, 5, 3, 1, 5)
13 Old boy with fish smell, getting very stale (11)
17 Urgent message—nasty pain: it appears in some of our jumpers (5, 6)
20 I may be from the Mississippi: we'll get grimmer after half-time (6, 9)
22 Indian silks are thus obtainable in blended russet (8)
23 Piercing call for silence by the brook (6)
24 Gossip, and the opposite (8)
25 The morning spent was entertaining (6)

DOWN

1 Verminous female on good furniture (8)
2 Press one improperly for an answer (8)
3 The part of the Gestapo's to license a kind of religious faith (9)
5 Unmerciful bit in about half the essays (11)
6 Shelter about beginning of evening—that's a principle (5)
7 Simian historian (6)
8 Look at the boil (6)
12 Hats that never blow off? They have to be taken off when they're battered (4, 7)
14 A little one, less than 11, gets meat in this part of London (9)
15 Client in steamer is upset: they let the ink through (8)
16 What a beamish boy's father did: loveless cohort went first (8)
18 Quote me all upside down—it's enough to make you sick (6)
19 When this inventor turns up, the game's over (6)
21 To fail about love is wanton (5)

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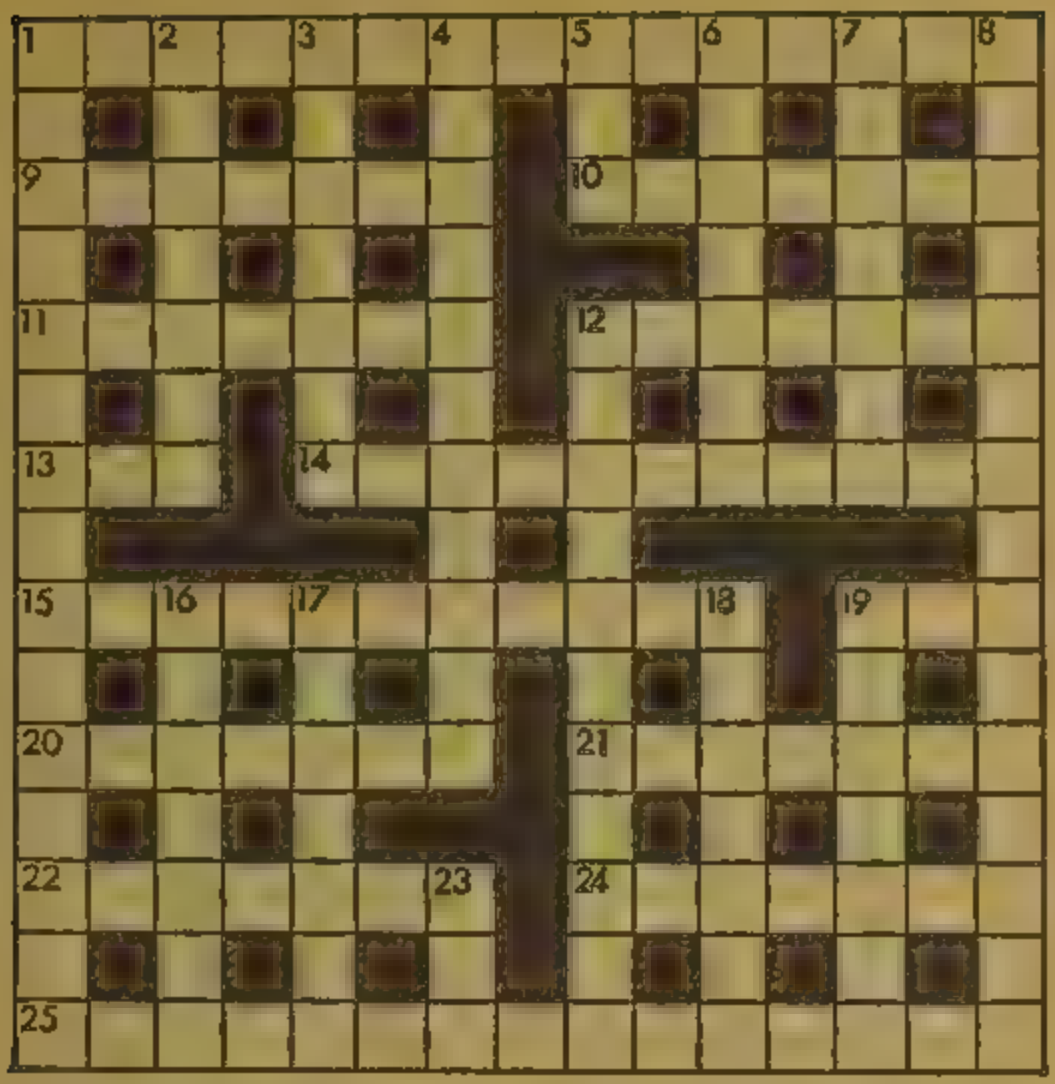

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1 What the lofty hitter may be—poor fish? (6, 2, 3, 4)
9 Gypsy, perhaps—a friend before fog arrives (7)
10 Handsome Prince gets daily woman to deceive people (7)
11 The shortened ring on the target is not so wide (7)
12 I'm in Sicily, not looking so well, with the doctor (7)
13 Record of cruise can be put on the fire (3)
14 For hotels to get entangled with thugs is negligent (11)
15 Congratulates three sisters about to get information (11)
19 No less than 150 are before me in class (3)
20 Show respect before the beak, producing details of goods sent by rail (3-4)
21 Overcook and leave unfinished sun-dried beef (7)
22 Pets about to act the wrong way in trees (7)
24 Giving people experience in 'U' coterie (7)
25 Steeplechase with spectators in Trafalgar Square (8, 7)

DOWN

1 Stockholm place of east wind, perhaps (7, 2, 6)
2 It's 'U' working at a job that's elevated (7)
3 The rain might spoil this bun--container (4-3)
4 Bury radio comedian, over fifty, between bones (11)
5 Painful ailment, but there's almost a sign that all's well (3)
6 Eastern saint and French shoulder-ornament (7)
7 Increase the confusion of the General (7)
8 Homework first, then come to the 'osses one at a time, in a charming way (15)
12 Form of hunting for a persistent glutton? (3-8)
16 Spends money and prepares for the grave (4, 3)
17 Elegance, an attempt, in American city (7)
18 Aquatic animal about to drag up aquatic bird (3-4)
19 Get the bill—several sheets (7)
23 Try this health-resort in despair (3)

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ACROSS

1 Wager about disorderly pair at the Zoo (4, 3)
5 Bungler went in front blindfolded (7)
9 Show the sort of stiff stuff to take umbrage at (9)
10 A beetle has turned into a beast of burden (5)
11 Who looked after supplies in A.T.S.? One of a harem of four? (15)
12 Formerly getting off here in Paris with love, by virtue of one's post (2, 7)
15 River whose last case is well known (5)
16 Welles, alternative issue (5)
17 Study in the bookie's grip helps a parson (3, 6)
19 All men (except, perhaps, Macduff?) (5, 7, 3)
22 The man who gives me a lift isn't fit to drive (5)
23 Bulb I bear is broken: that may spoil the photograph (3, 6)
24 Galsworthy's prophetic character? (7)
25 Puts up with a river in extremities (7)

DOWN

1 Nothing in the poet's ship is overornamented (7)
2 This part of the final phase is only a beginning (5)
3 What you must expect, and accept, from a charmer? (6, 6, 3)
4 The Irish losing more than half of them (5)
5 Orderly love in a multitude—that's marriage (9)
6 What mature apples and immature schemes do (4, 2, 3, 6)
7 You need leisure in the fifties before death—get help from America (5-4)
8 A determined effort, or a dull crowd? (4, 3)
13 Counter patronised by the walrus and the carpenter? (6, 3)
14 Army officer both ways had a meal to arrange (9)
16 Singles with a fairy that one likes enjoying (7)
18 Beans, touts or smugglers (7)
20 Put your towel, if not your shirt, on it (5)
21 Bores upset, because no one will stand them a drink? (5)

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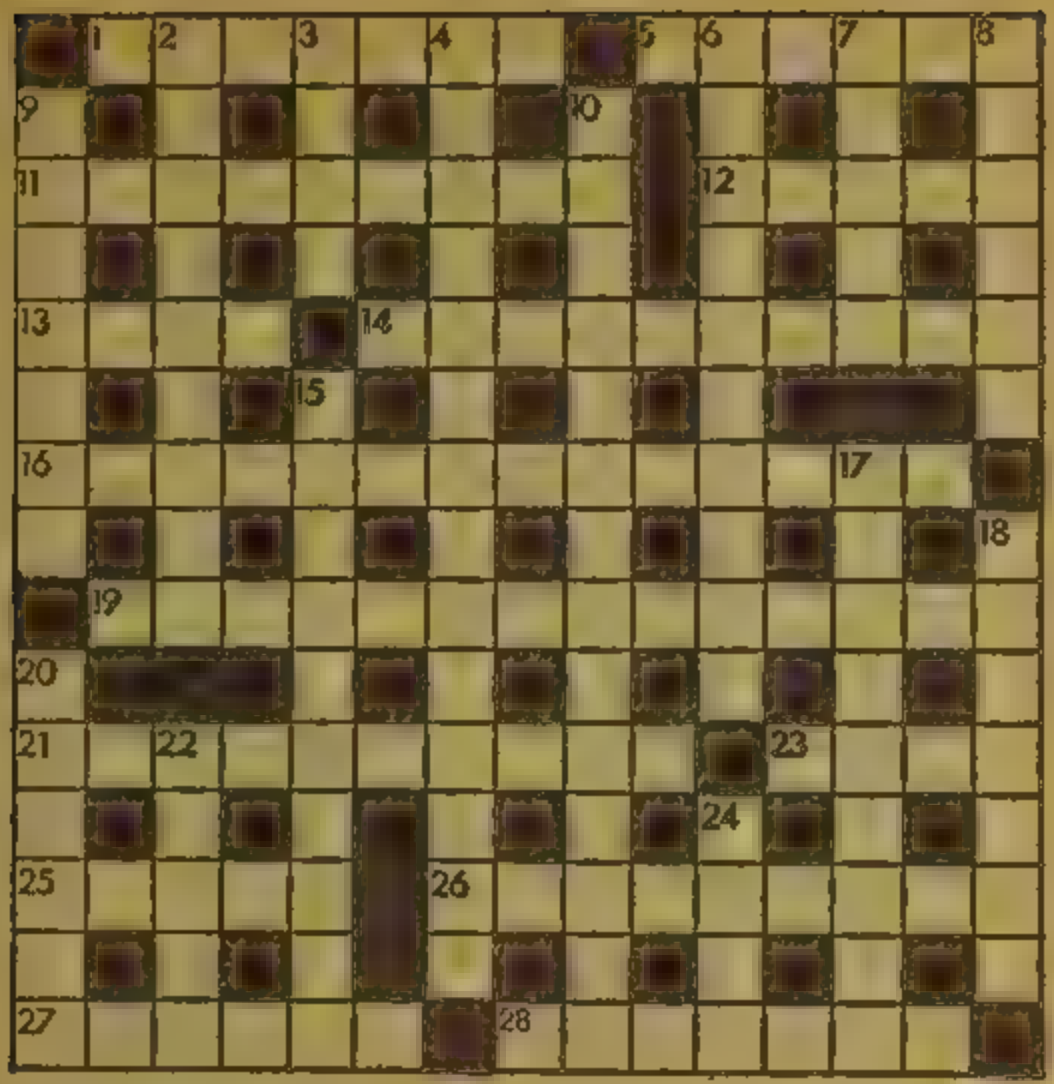

ACROSS

1 How Saul showed contempt for his father? That's pedantic (7)
5 How tweeds are interwoven in a really hot mixture (6)
11 Breakwater in London? (9)
12 Back a thousand to prepare for more fighting (5)
13 Something to silence an O.T. character (4)
14 Boast about mathematicians? They're poisonous (4, 6)
16, 19 Having removed a bikini when scraggy? Unlikely to make a good photo (11, 3, 14)
21 The lily or butterfly to cultivate in a convent (10)
23 This little fish is a mistake (4)
25 Square pushed sideways, like a lozenge (5)
26 Sweets: if so, your clothes may be spoilt in the lab (4, 5)
27 They've no initiative, south, in part of Arabia (6)
28 How poets write with the opposite effect (7)

DOWN

2 Upset near coast: perhaps it's the oyster (9)
3 Vegetable turns up in bottom of ship (4)
4 Sane ladies confused about a joke, consisting of very long words (14)
6 Lie enables sailor to get over a swindle (10)
7 Sea monster removes a bit of Wharfedale (5)
8 Get Mother to enquire for figured material (6)
9 O.T. character who caused Moab to be troubled about little Sarah (7)
10 Ten bob of Ian Hay's (4, 1, 9)
15 It isn't fatal when electrical engineers go to the devil in Paris (10)
17 Gold coins, or busts in a Sherlock Holmes story (9)
18 Fatty takes a bathe with topless old-fashioned drawers (7)
20 A very noisy Sunbeam in a breach of the peace (6)
22 These clubs will enable you to get on, sir (5)
24 With nothing to do in mid-Lent (4)

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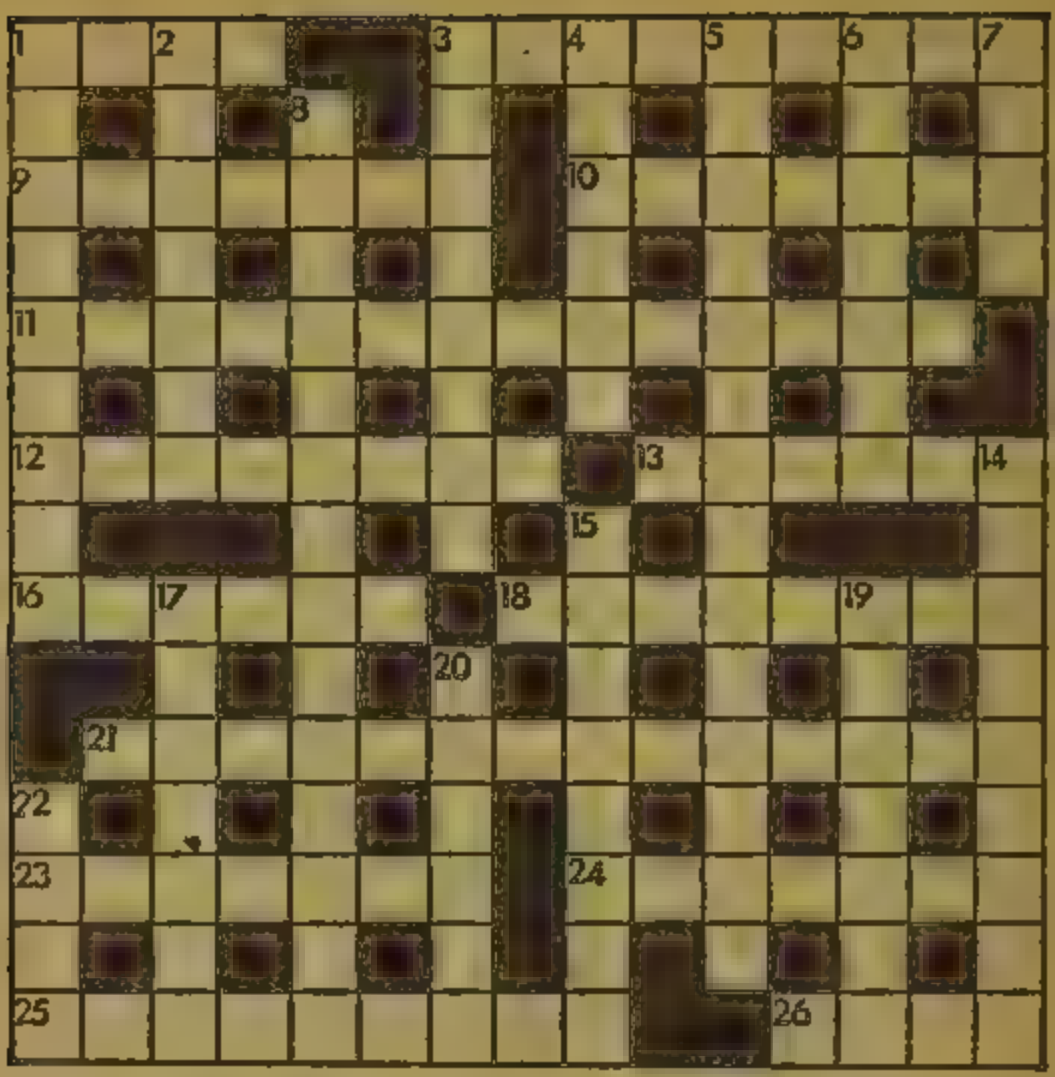

ACROSS

1 To drop a catch will warm the hands (4)
3, 9 Garage notice—help for golfers? (9, 7)
10 Wonderful horse, Margaret, just like you and me (7)
11 Five girl drivers who might let the engine seize up? (7, 7)
12 The genie's upset: just too old to be sweet? (8)
13 Germ of something new is ruined by Rome (6)
16 Sundry people taking a dip (6)
18 High spot for fifty in a small boat (8)
21 People gamble at this—to reduce what passes from bank to bank? (8, 6)
23 Editorials that one should be able to follow (7)
24 Put something round to allow a curl (7)
25 The result of birth, achievement or thrust (Shakespeare) (9)
26 Pop's little piece (4)

DOWN

1 Poet has stormy sea filmed (9)
2 A thick covering for the 220 (7)
3 The vicar keeps telling us how fond of us he is (8)
4 A game of cards with relations is quite 'U' at table (6)
5 A date made by telephone? This should be binding for lovers (10, 4)
6 A sinner going astray is less sensible (7)
7 The main point of registration (4)
8 A turning on the left? Compton St., perhaps? (8, 6)
14 Ever upset in a description of porridge? Yes, perhaps, if one has —— (9)
15 Birds started to make a meal off other birds (8)
17 Hurt badly—six love—dead (7)
19 Badly iced all over, yet it has a softening effect (7)
20 What makes an Indian look below par? (6)
22 Garden pest—shoot it with an air-gun (4)

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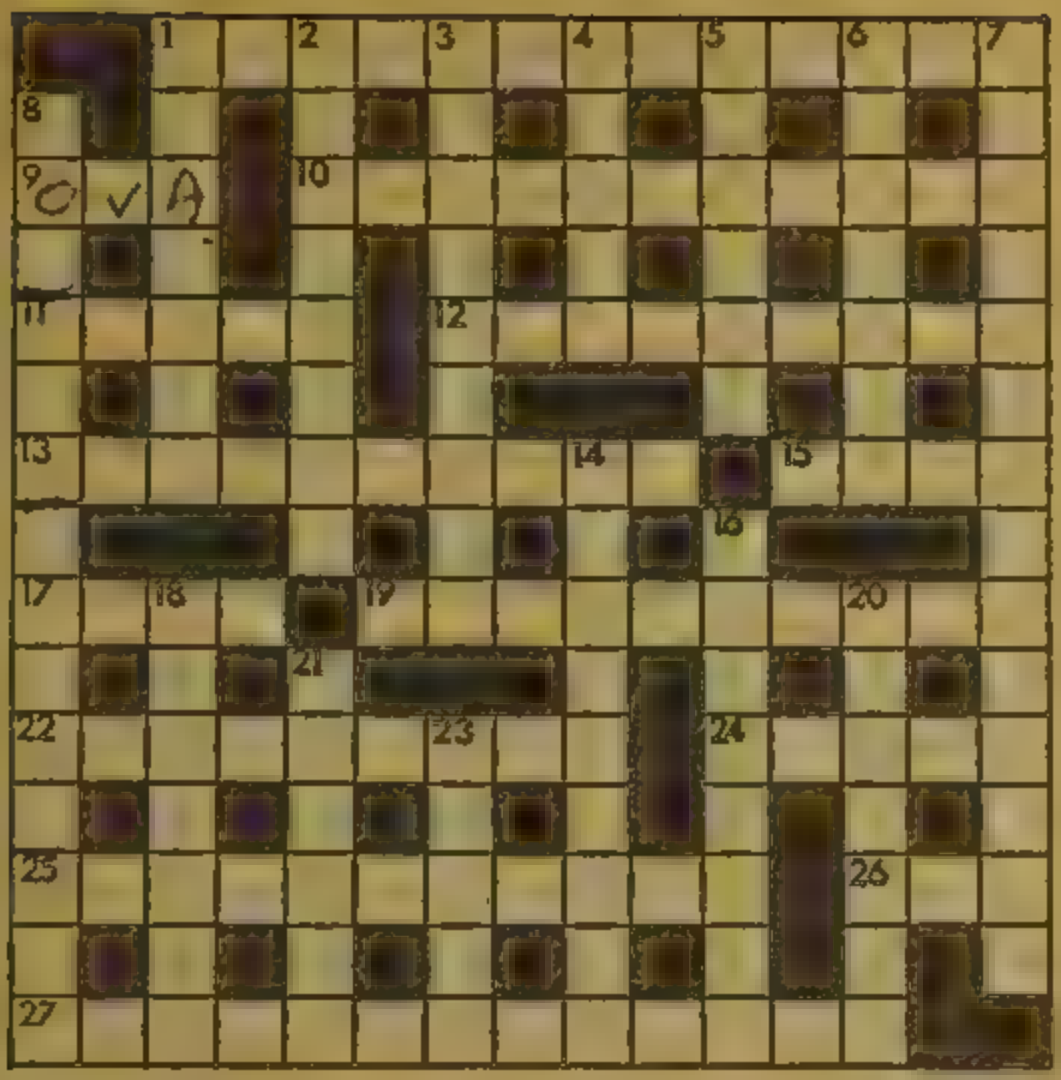

ACROSS

1 The habit of walking impedes trains in a way (13)
9 Germ cells in renovation (3)
10, 11 Exam cancelled without protest? (2, 9, 5)
12 Where the sitter drops there are arms ready but no hands (4, 5)
13 Shilling list seen returning: they'll cause explosions (10)
15 Seek support, having little substance (4)
17 A piece of land near Haifa (4)
19 It's original, or found in stiffly formal face (10)
22 What the motor bandit showed a clean pair of? (4, 5)
24 How trees should be rearranged (5)
25 Occupation of rash bridge players, umpires and ante-post bookmakers? (11)
26 Spirit disapproved of by animal lovers (3)
27 Here come people in infection—what fun (13)

DOWN

1 Favourite about to need an opening (7)
2 Removing the outside, let's get the end dug in somehow (8)
3 Set aside one who has foresight about an adventure (9)
4 Drums that are popular at dances (5)
5 Show aggression—on the nail? (6)
6 Allow no company to one such a lot behind time (7)
7 Confused strain in MS, Latin and a little Greek, giving wrong meaning (14)
8 To make halting progress in arithmetic? (3, 3, 5, 3)
14 Engineers charge: the result is a surrender (9)
16 Discontinue meetings in favour of a rascal (8)
18 Break interrupted by period used in a chemical test (7)
20 Penetration is visible (7)
21 He'll probably be in the rough: note the broken relics (6)
23 Something for making liquor on a Mediterranean island (5)

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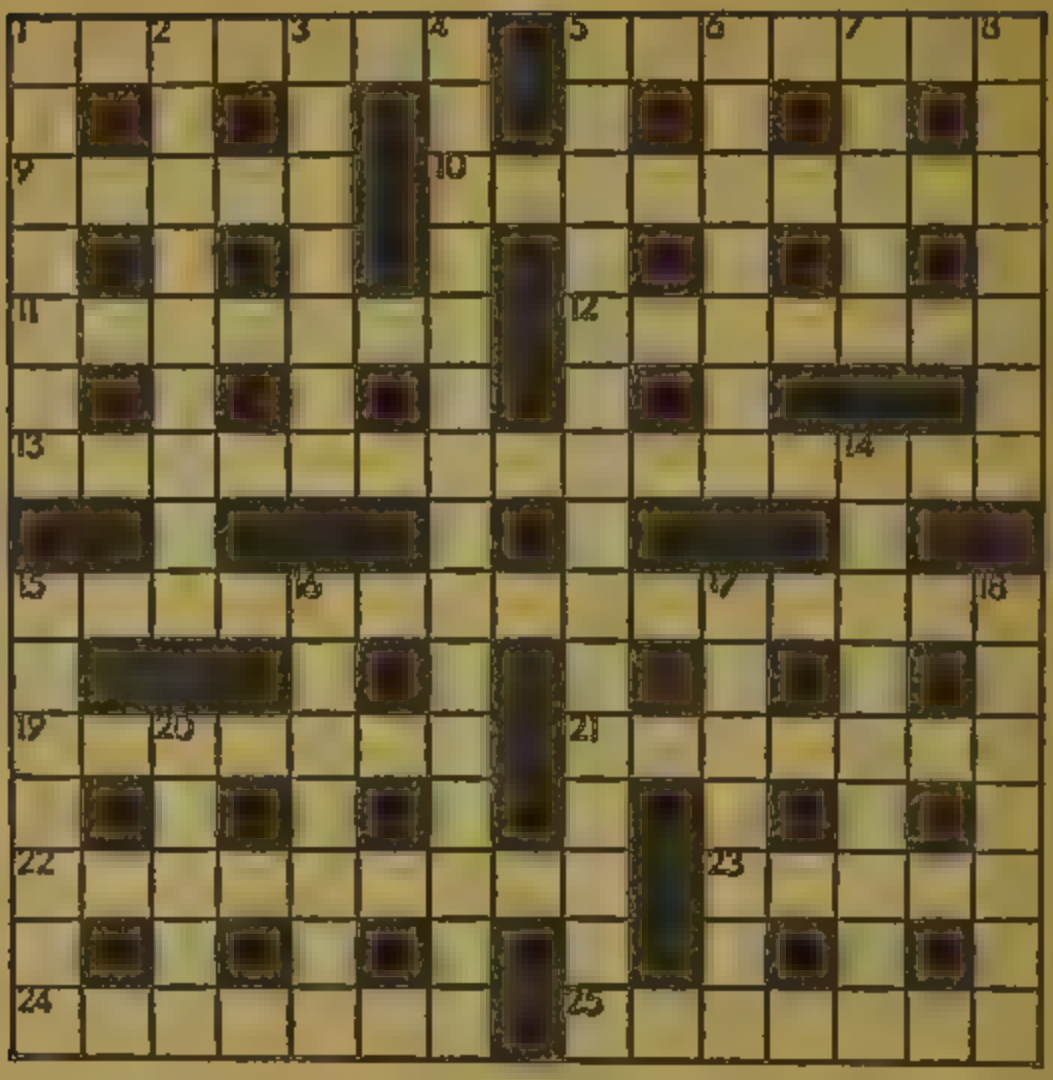

ACROSS

1 Opposite number is one between two lots of sixes (3-1-3)
5 Duties that are habits (7)
9 I'm jolly good, but I've nothing to say (5)
10 To waver and quit when there's trouble within (9)
11 There's an obstruction half the year in the pipe (7)
12 Love is a rover: here are the fruits (7)
13 Amazing experience for unfortunate chairman in U.S.? (15)
15 What makes tyrant ruler pale in an abnormal way? (15)
19 Moral difficulty has little weight (7)
21 Result in the Guineas—these come last (7)
22 Do the right thing to the hatchet, give up, and try to make peace (9)
23 Negroes' master returns here in the Far East (5)
24 Once broken—good gracious! Thrift is needed (7)
25 Parasite swallowing wild ant should be hit on the head (3-4)

DOWN

1 Twice got up in a torn veil—in full view (7)
2 Replace what will grow very well, by the sound of it (9)
3 Clever dictator's decision (7)
4 Giving someone a quid to remove all ill-feeling? (9, 6)
5 Unwanted feathered visitor reveals nuts—stored by squirrel? (6, 2, 3, 4)
6 Fruity member of the harem (7)
7 Love called a monkey (5)
8 Tramples underfoot a sort of relation (7)
14 The Caspian is this, and saline in a way (6, 3)
15 The free ticket I have is not effective (7)
16 Material for paper-making from the sea-port (7)
17 Guard up-ended on rear of train is shown again in the pictures (7)
18 Veil for silky creature eating minced hams (7)
20 This proportion is less than a fair share (5)

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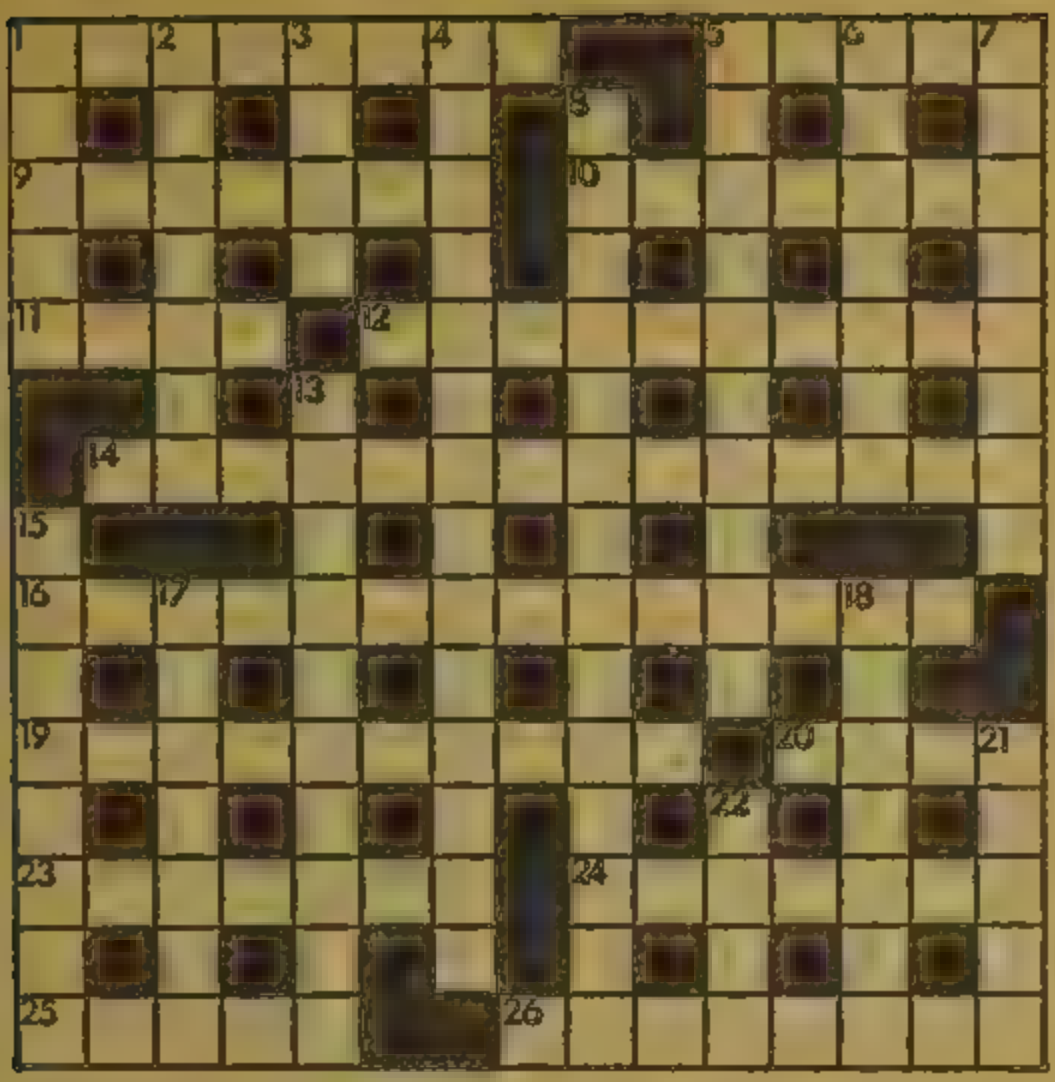

ACROSS

1 Sort of private spirit that's known to all of us (8)
5 Poison makes 6 almost entirely decay (5)
9 Spill, perhaps, for large open boat (7)
10 The short, crooked drive prospered (7)
11 Refuse dumped in the garden yesterday (4)
12 Unusual officer in charge of trouble in Salonica (10)
14 After time—keeping blonde waiting? (4, 3, 3, 4)
16 Insane in costly upset—a characteristic of Lear (14)
19 Christmas game in the summer garden (10)
20 The poet's back view is dull here (4)
23 State how old you are.—Oh, about normal (7)
24 Old-fashioned dance for surgeons (7)
25 Appointments to be expected from a palm (5)
26 To drive terrifyingly—plumb in the marsh (8)

DOWN

1 Trimmed and put away for reference (5)
2 Mother joins bloke with a very high colour (7)
3 A splint that might be useful for the halt (4)
4 Two mixed drinks that won't take long (1, 5, 2, 6)
5 Tailless rats, for example, set on instruments—edible pipes (10)
6 Bird with only half a name in Italy (7)
7 Horses' equipment led drays astray (8)
8 A wave between us and the Americans (8, 6)
13 Old part of London where it was easy to tell the time? (5, 5)
15 Extraordinary stink and it's on the writing-table (3-5)
17 Next are in a comfortable spot (7)
18 Split below height caused by rushing stream (7)
21 Depression makes a bachelor go wrong (5)
22 Put your arms up—that'll be comfortable (4)

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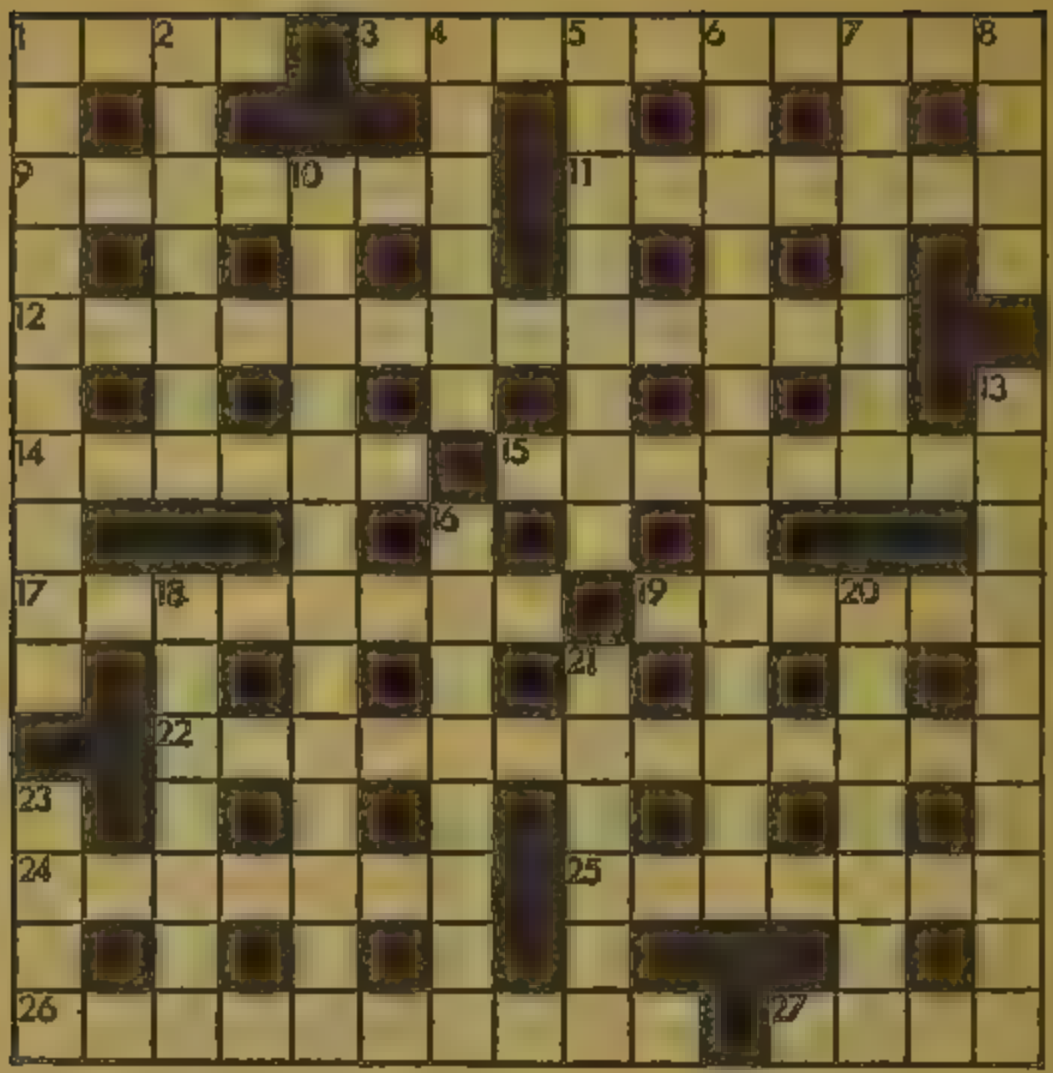

ACROSS

1 Out of date weapons—by no means stern (4)
3 Dusky eater of a surfeit of pancakes (5, 5)
9 Group of islands and one inhabitant (7)
11 She and I, vulgarly, go for a stroll (7)
12 Irish mountains sell powdered grain by auction? (13)
14 Peremptory call to monarch on a walking tour (6)
15 A fish to cut back vigorously (8)
17 Pipe about nudity snubbed (8)
19 Faithful angel upset by bad lie (6)
22 Ancestors of the lankiest of us? (6, 7)
24 Bird and donkey invested with dignity (7)
25 Sat crooked before a gallop, but in position for it (7)
26 Sits in mire, in a bad way: try high-up offices (10)
27 A bit of satire in the Duchess's kitchen (4)

DOWN

1 Fascist, and what he'd have put on his best horse? (5, 5)
2 Being married, we'd make sure no one intrudes (7)
4 Wait; that is missing from the underclothes (6)
5 Flowering shrub makes animal feel ill when rising (8)
6 Ghostly box? Its contents may one day be rulers (6, 7)
7 Lily, crazy over North America (7)
8 French bear belonging to you and me (4)
10 Finders are obviously good at this sociability (6, 7)
13 A ration with smell approaching maturity (10)
16 Protector of French guard against fire (8)
18 A pipe for bachelors before long (7)
20 Where adepts cut pretty figures (3, 4)
21 I don't look well enough to spit (6)
23 The lowest of the low, yet seen on the top (4)

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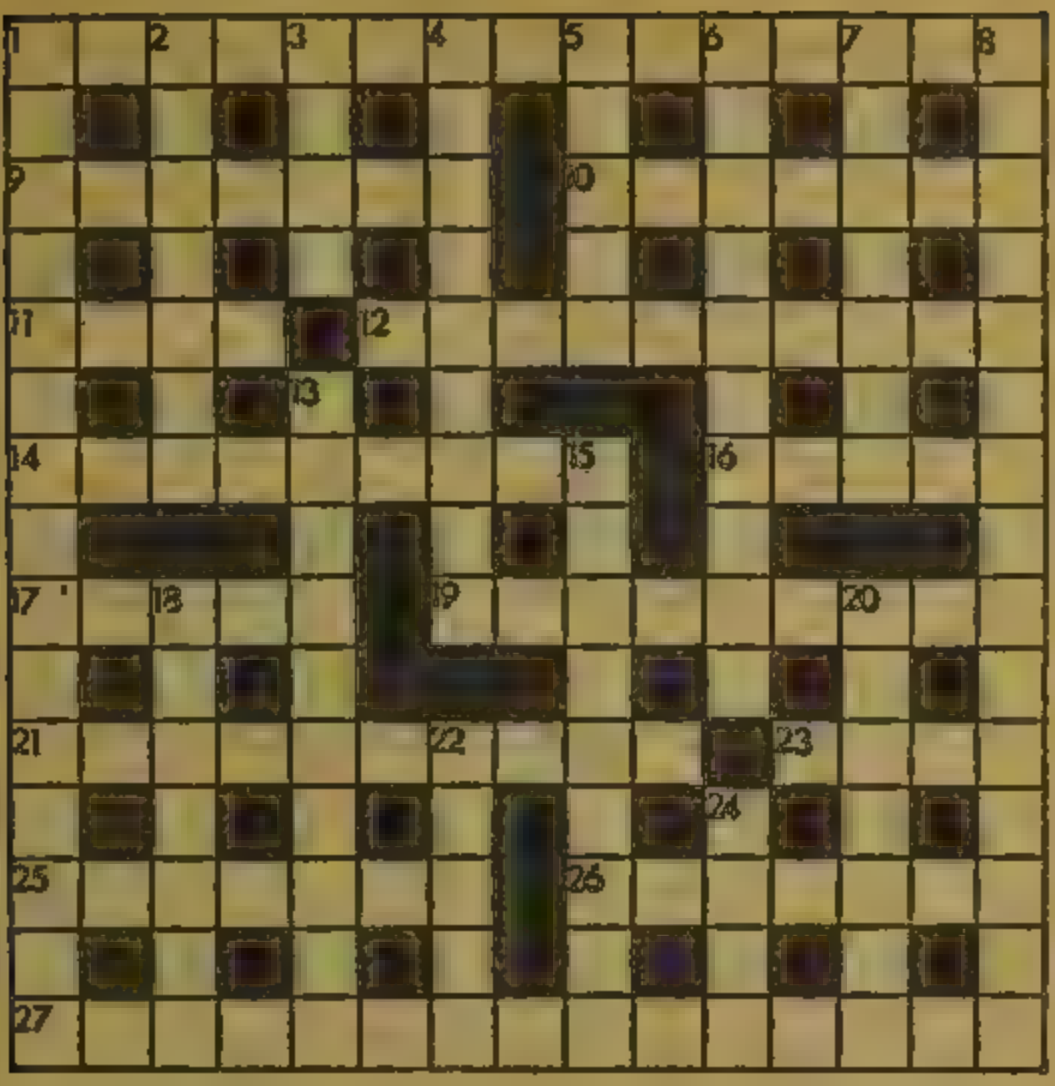

ACROSS

1 Pale grave hypocrite (6, 9)
9 Seeking to taste defeat (7)
10 Make a new impression on a politician after holiday (7)
11 Their inmates have a call to the bar (4)
12 Modiste who may produce darker mess (10)
14 Hardyish sort of tree may not burn well (9)
16 Only a very little each way (5)
17 Where one goes for a cure from unhealthy dropsy (5)
19 People are apt to go to blazes from here (6, 3)
21 Journey results in a horrible time after medicine is left unfinished (10)
23 Scheme that is little short of perfect (4)
25 What confused pictures coming across (7)
26 My claim to be a religious man, based on cause leading to effect (1, 6)
27 Spurned the water supply with fatal results (6, 3, 6)

DOWN

1 A stroll along the wood, on a visit to a Mr. Jones (7, 3, 5)
2 Something fragrant to infuriate (7)
3 To exist upside down is all wrong (4)
4 Conical hill, with gala for us arranged (5, 4)
5 The normal standard is traditionally gay (5)
6 Endure a tick: this is the eleventh hour (4, 6)
7 Listen to the range—just listen (7)
8 Former fairy, cuckoo, it's crazy—is always inclined to be trying (15)
13 The grouse in the house? Solo, perhaps, but not polo (6, 4)
15 Shows how racy Degas can be repaired: 24 hours in which to think it over (4, 5)
18 Sued standing on head with drunken cry: such was the oracle (7)
20 Tread on a weed in a small field (7)
22 Totem converted into anthem (5)
24 The language of our dunderheads (4)

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ACROSS

1 Would they go ventre-à-terre after a hare? (10)
6 A pound, and yet much less—of tobacco (4)
10 Flag suitable for both officers and N.C.O.s? (5, 3, 7)
11 Like porridge consumed in less than half a spoon (5)
12 The sort of fierce mothers to live in clippers (3-5)
14 Standards, and not what's written by hand (5)
16 Did sob and die in confusion: now like ghosts (9)
17 King Edward was this sort of owner (9)
18 A sieve is among the items employed (5)
19 Lout embraces wild revel on the next page (8)
21 A group of nine—that's a reason why tennis is off (5)
23 Split—effrontery pranks: refused to speak to each other again (6, 5, 4)
24 We four are coming back to look (4)
25 A very tactless workman? (10)

DOWN

1 Cut off cents coin'd irregularly (10)
2 Details given before a lesson (7, 3, 5)
3 Nipper, perhaps, with a black eye? (5)
4 Bones found among a mouthful —nasty (5)
5 Dealer puts only half a dime on Elizabethan poet (9)
7 Yup—liar—mean rant. Change that—what sort of language is it? (15)
8 To disappoint keenness (4)
9 Where there are no duties, and a drink on the house? (4-4)
13 Set arrived smashed: yet he says his stuff is good (10)
15 Shilling fruit, chaps, for old soldiers (8)
16 M.D. is all wrong before sort of fast day to do drastic surgery (9)
20 Coin circulated in Football Club (5)
21 Sort of organ that sometimes needs a blower (5)
22 Nasty piece of work has overthrown celebrities (4)

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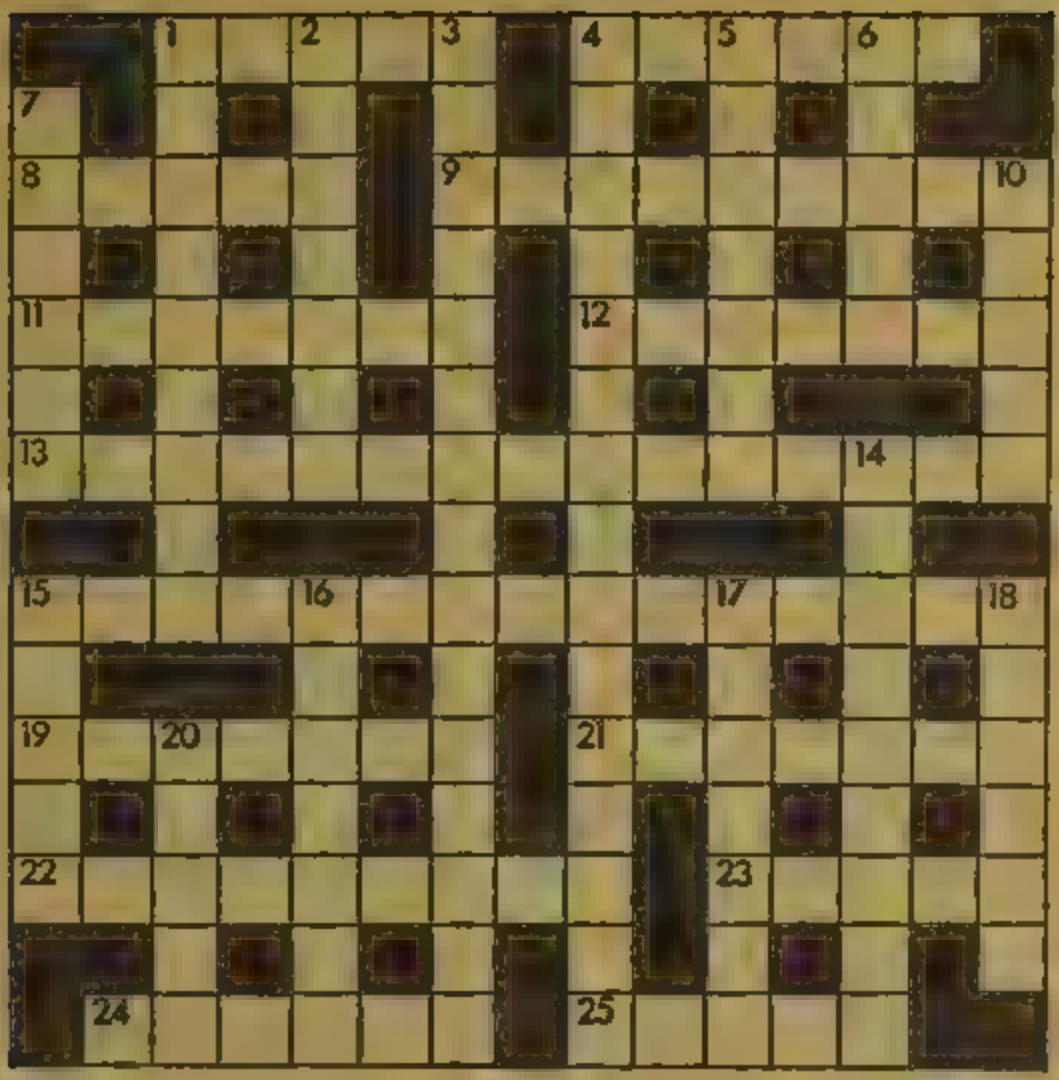
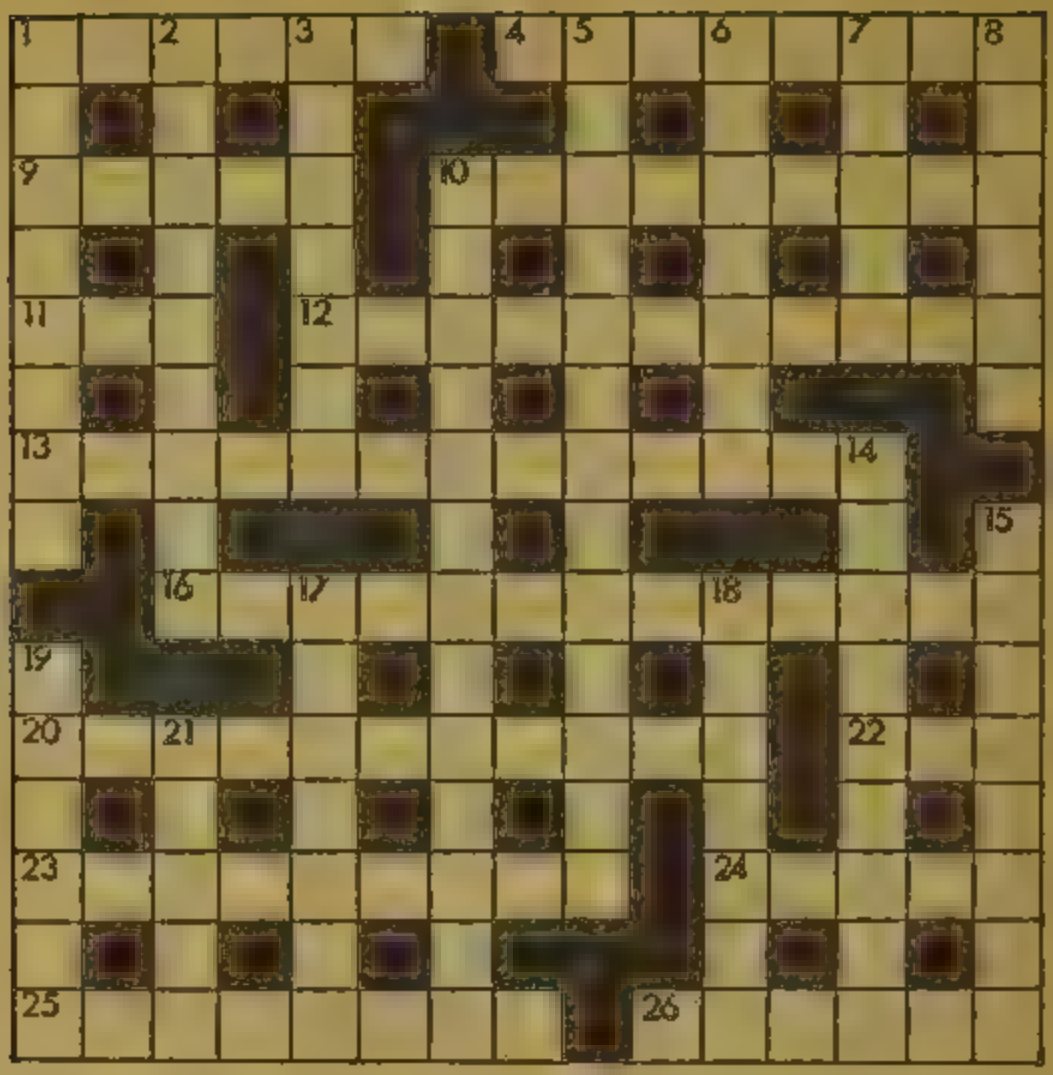


ACROSS

1 A drink in the middle of a soldier's punishment gives a little bit of comfort (5)
4 French writer comes out of a stupor (6)
8 Unpaid editor, in short—very keen, presumably (5)
9 A drink and meat about ten for soccer team (9)
11 Climb over most of the net, showing inequalities (7)
12 Figures without waists—Old Boy wishes he had something different (7)
13 Take the plunge, as on the way to Rome (5, 3, 7)
15 How carpers talk, i.e. carp, chilly—try mixing it (15)
19 To be impetuous about a torn bib is senseless (7)
21 Sprees—that may mean dismissals (7)
22 Dictator: I love a total returned about thus (9)
23 To possess about fifty, do this to about a hundred (5)
24 Something that comes between opponents (6)
25 A fortune-teller among foggy psychologists (5)

DOWN

1 Slang a Parisian wolf, at the start of dinner, perhaps (9)
2 Strip, and get rid of the sauce? (7)
3 How the escaped convict may be recognised—and caught? (2, 3, 5, 5)
4 What made the man at the wheel so dispirited? (6, 9)
5 The lowest positive call, used by a single cave-man? (3, 4)
6 King of the Amorites, shone erratically (5)
7 Remedy—mixed chips about end of day (6)
10 Worker in stone's Mother and Child (5)
14 Bogey's status (9)
15 What's wrong about the East? Too many wives (5)
16 Look at us in our upset: it's disastrous (7)
17 Relish what pursuers want to do (7)
18 You chaps about the South will always agree (6)
20 Do some sewing, some cooking and some spanking (5)



ACROSS

1 Beautiful flower—or gave a raspberry (6)
4 Felt love about sweetheart—given a raspberry (8)
9 A native of South Africa—'e's got to come ashore (5)
10 Go to bed in a rough sea, gloomy (9)
11 Princess appears in splendid apparel (3)
12 Nothing shows agreement, yet they should lead to happy marriages (4, 7)
13 Fruity spring flower? (5, 8)
16 Quaint C.O.s upset by film star vanquished Mexico (13)
20 What gets on top of the fellow? The directors of a builders' firm? (6-5)
22 This end of a poultice shouldn't be too hot (3)
23 Gives a rapturous thrill to stage appearances (9)
24 An unpleasant person as revealed in a gamble (5)
25 Supports us in disgraces (8)
26 Stops idleness in the Civil Service (6)

DOWN

1 The holes with which games start (8)
2 Vehicle for Middle Easterner in endless luck (9)
3 Give way to eluding crookedly (7)
5 Will an oil shortage make these drawing-room features unnecessary? (13)
6 Very proper joke about a girl's name (7)
7 Ham a bit off after the end of August (5)
8 Smart feature of André's system (6)
10 Get out of your difficulties by having boiled eggs for breakfast? (4, 4, 5)
14 Roughs lashing wildly round two rings (9)
15 What's most effective in an emergency call to prevent fire? (8)
17 Once more rising the Academy falls (7)
18 Build a changed East that is not silent (7)
19 Glowing remains left over from abbreviated months (6)
21 Speeds to make you stare (5)

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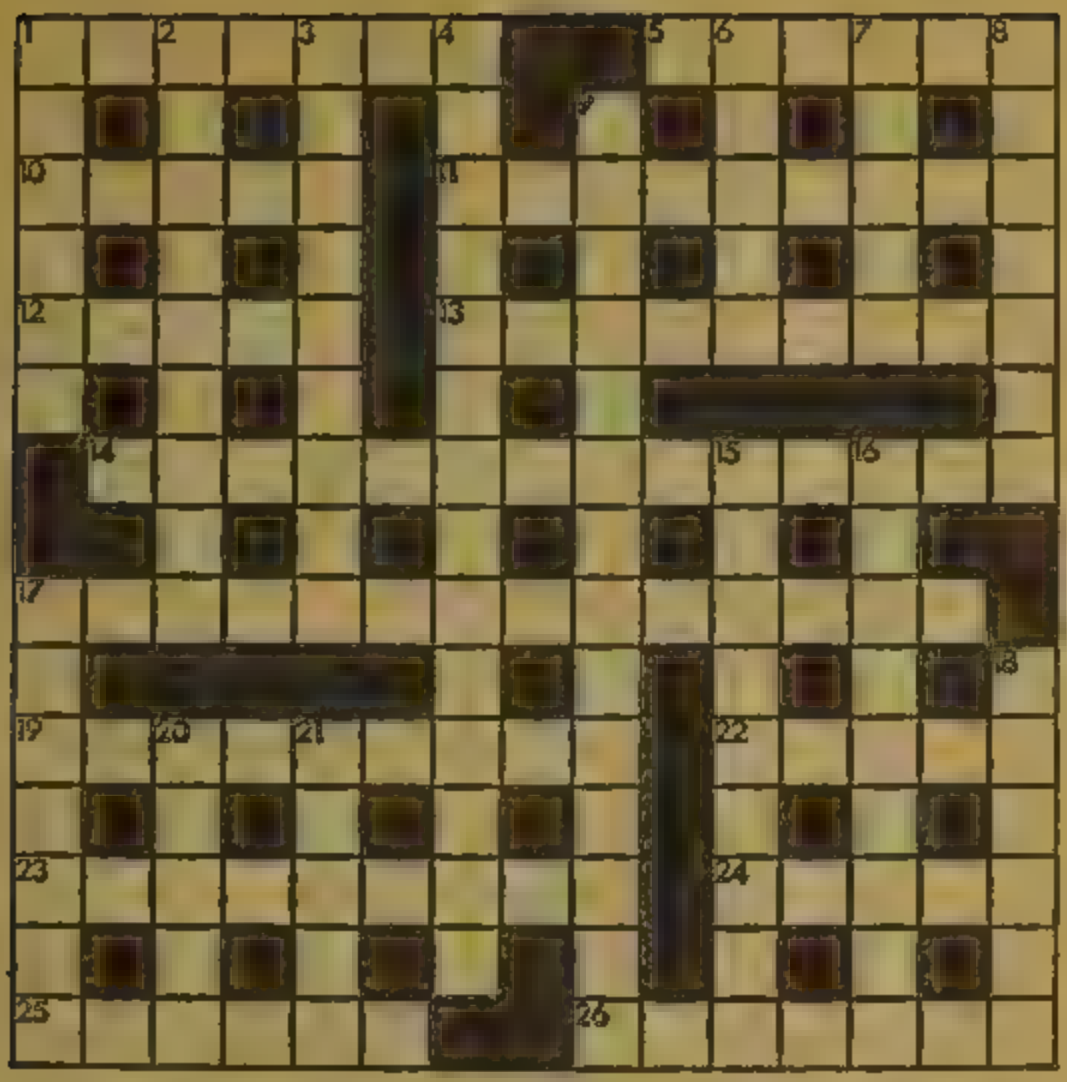

ACROSS

1 This Irish girl will be company for Ellen in her trouble (7)
5 Two bits of scalloped frill at the back of the neck (6)
10 A funny man and he's very flexible (5)
11 To draw inconsequently something lousy was dangerous in wartime (9)
12 The famous Viking had to flatten out a duck (5)
13 Tough cowboy? We must get less soft (9)
14 Very small towns? They couldn't choose members (6, 8)
17 Everyone knows who may start this (8, 6)
19 Part of the restaurant for third degree stuff? (5-4)
22 Something off-white, or in something dark green (5)
23 After counterfeit coining take to a disguise (9)
24 The bird to tremble (5)
25 Who was the last of the Saxons? Difficult—look back within (6)
26 Countryside that may have to be shifted (7)

DOWN

1 Faint-hearted fish about a fight (6)
2 A small size in hooters (6, 3)
3 There's a ball in it—sounds as if I wallop it (3, 6)
4 Sir N.'s dramatic model who has strings? Not of beads, apparently (4, 4, 6)
6 Cows do it—there are fifty in a grotto (5)
7 By no means county, and not quite polite (5)
8 Numbers that are vital to models (7)
9 Where parties have been known to get rowdy (5, 2, 7)
15 Oriental charmer may make you lose a quid (9)
16 After too much preaching crazy deacon is boasting (9)
17 Arch, suitable for the gallery at the Yard (7)
18 Gagging, perhaps: that's how we amuse ourselves (6)
20 To bring on oneself the eventual situation of the dog's dinner (5)
21 This bit of fickle gallivanting is allowed (5)

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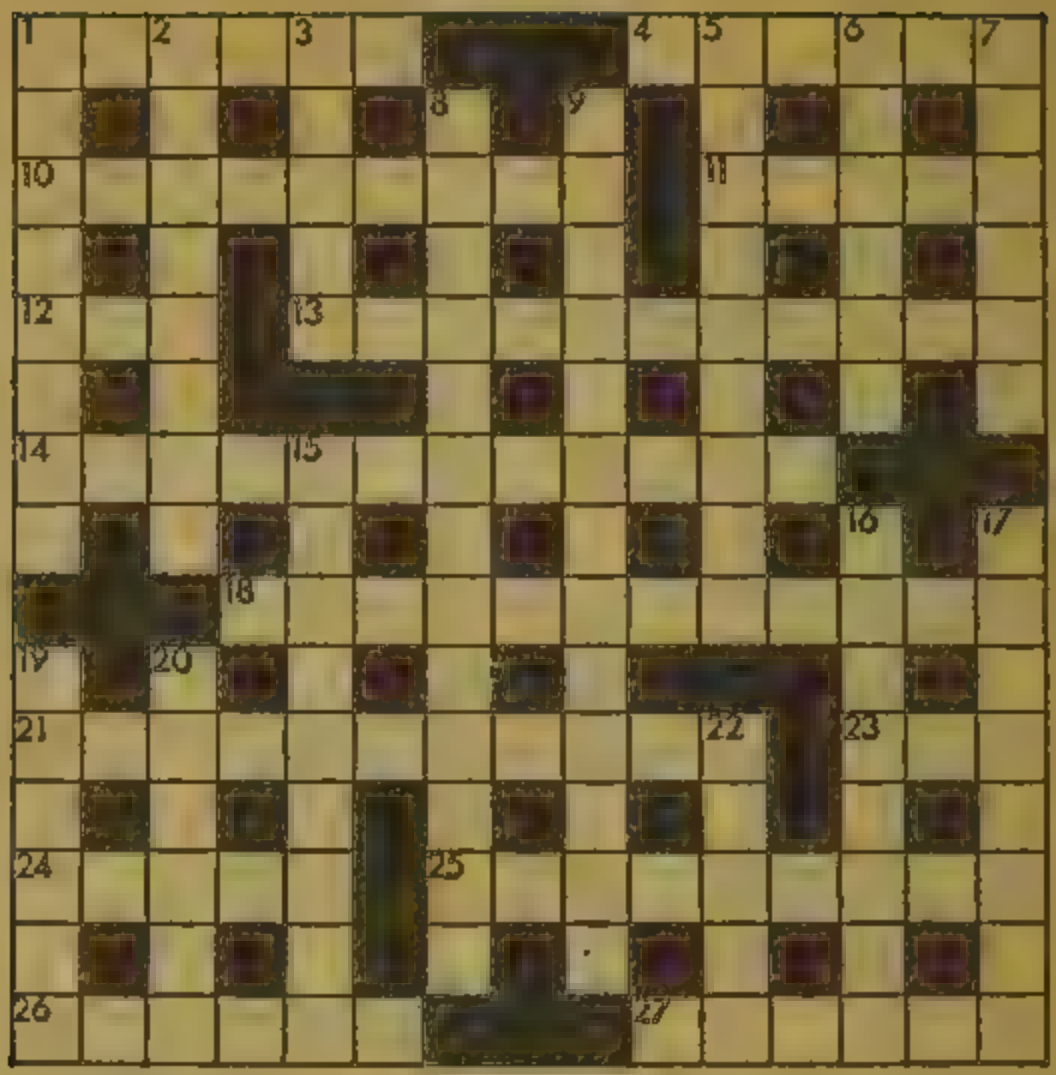

ACROSS

1 Discharges from service doctor surrounded by society girls (6)
4 Chaff for chap who's dieting (6)
10 Name of poetess causes wild stir in far eastern land (9)
11 Passed a writer in the street (5)
12 Gladstone showing the reverse of eloquence? (3)
13, 14 Tennyson's poem, or the electricity bill? (6, 2, 3, 5, 7)
18 Epithet for a Judge who has become callous? (4-8)
21 Collector has bip trouble getting overdue catalogue (11)
23 Rod as a reminder to the actor (3)
24 Leap over a cellar (5)
25 Do this to Paterson's, if you want the answer (9)
26 By no means a small railway clerk (6)
27 Second importance (6)

DOWN

1 The platypus will give you nothing on account (8)
2 Death abroad leads to a plum: here's a conditional conveyance (8)
3 Being fundamental, it makes bachelor almost angry (5)
5 Bad second, troubled, ran away and hid (9)
6 An effort, when about to have a meal, should end a dispute (6)
7 Desert the lady? By Jove, yes (6)
8 Quarrels—saints emerged transformed (13)
9 A bad girl, sensual, used to carry the soldiers' kit (7, 6)
15 An expert on the subject of China, for instance (3, 6)
16 Story disguised in neat code (8)
17 There's a mark of an injury about her fan (8)
19 Health resort with French wine produces joint trouble (6)
20 Card game causes irritation to a T (6)
22 Italian poet settled up like this (5)

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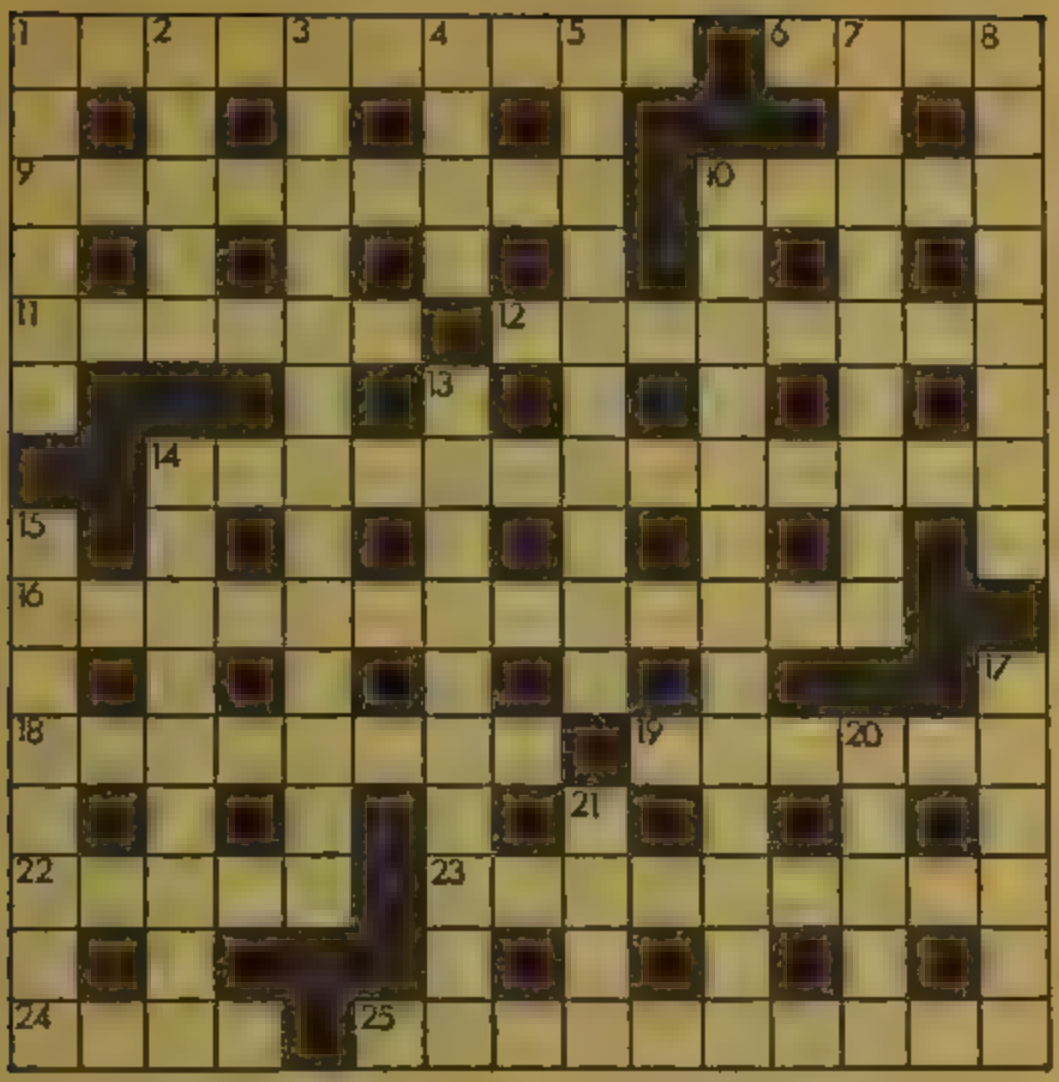

ACROSS

1 To be paid soon, like an unproductive palm-tree? (5-5)
6 Hill collapsed—it's dire (4)
9 Commission to pay—exploded with fury (9)
10 Here's a bird: give it a seat (5)
11 The dresser's job is wearisome (6)
12 I quite agree: you need to listen more than once (4, 4)
14 Decamp—and pretend you don't know Picasso? (3, 3, 7)
16 Dickensian chief mollusc? (7, 6)
18 A toiling confused figure cut in stone (8)
19 Something puzzling in game that goes wrong (6)
22 Jeeves suits one's depression to a T (5)
23 Something that goes to a Highlander's head (9)
24 Thus always returning, I'll give you beans (4)
25 My castings may be used for this form of training (10)

DOWN

1 Heavy shoes, thrown into the works by wreckers? (6)
2 This smell is nothing grim (5)
3, 4 Is it a dropped sitter that was always better than the actual catch? (3, 3, 4, 3, 4)
5 Suitable test for team and twelfth man? (6, 4)
7 The new era changes, to encircle (9)
8 Rested some time on the railway, with an interest in books (8)
10 Loquaciousness encountered in A.R.P. lectures, about 1939? (10, 3)
13 Slender and dignified, with due deliberation (10)
14 Headgear, I reckon, in excellent style (9)
15 Is effective—you'll see I've got upset with pains all round (8)
17 They were human in a way, but inclined to play the goat (6)
20 Literary Russian Maxim with an awkward sound (5)
21 Runner, perhaps, that the poor man never has (4)

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DOWN

1 An examination subject—Napoleonic Tyranny? (6, 9)
9 After a round you and I have something to pay (3)
10, 11 More than three pairs found in Chelsea dressing-room? They make great strides (5, 6, 5)
12 What do you do in your sleep? Not begin telling the truth? (3, 5)
13 Lord that tried to defy the Kaiser (5)
14 Reptilian search for drinks? (3-5)
17 Wodehouse story-teller shows bereft Lord in French sea (8)
19 Wind is past—look at the damage (5)
21 A pucka lady will give him beams (3-5)
23 Something on which to write letters about the chaplain (5)
25 Prison at sea, or part of the radiator system? (5-6)
26 Strong-smelling street abroad (3)
27 Remarks like "All men are liars" are lies, not gains—all wrong (15)

DOWN

1 What prevents pools from disappearing in winter? (8)
2 A stye, perhaps, is a very ugly thing (7)
3 To hurl the sword is very hard (4, 5)
4 Where to get a really hellish drink in Surrey? (6, 9)
5 Do they summon pilgrims to the border? (10, 5)
6 Keep off a green over the water (5)
7 Poetess, dean and cartoonist (7)
8 Coward, perhaps, in midwinter (4)
15 Wrist pair, remodelled: it's neat and warming (3, 6)
16 Unemployment in S. Leeds to be put right (8)
18 Part of a fortune, a tenth, not yet consumed (7)
20 Put up with a work-unit in ruin (7)
22 What Macbeth, in effect, says he'll make assurance (5)
24 What a burglar rightly regards as part of his wages? (4)

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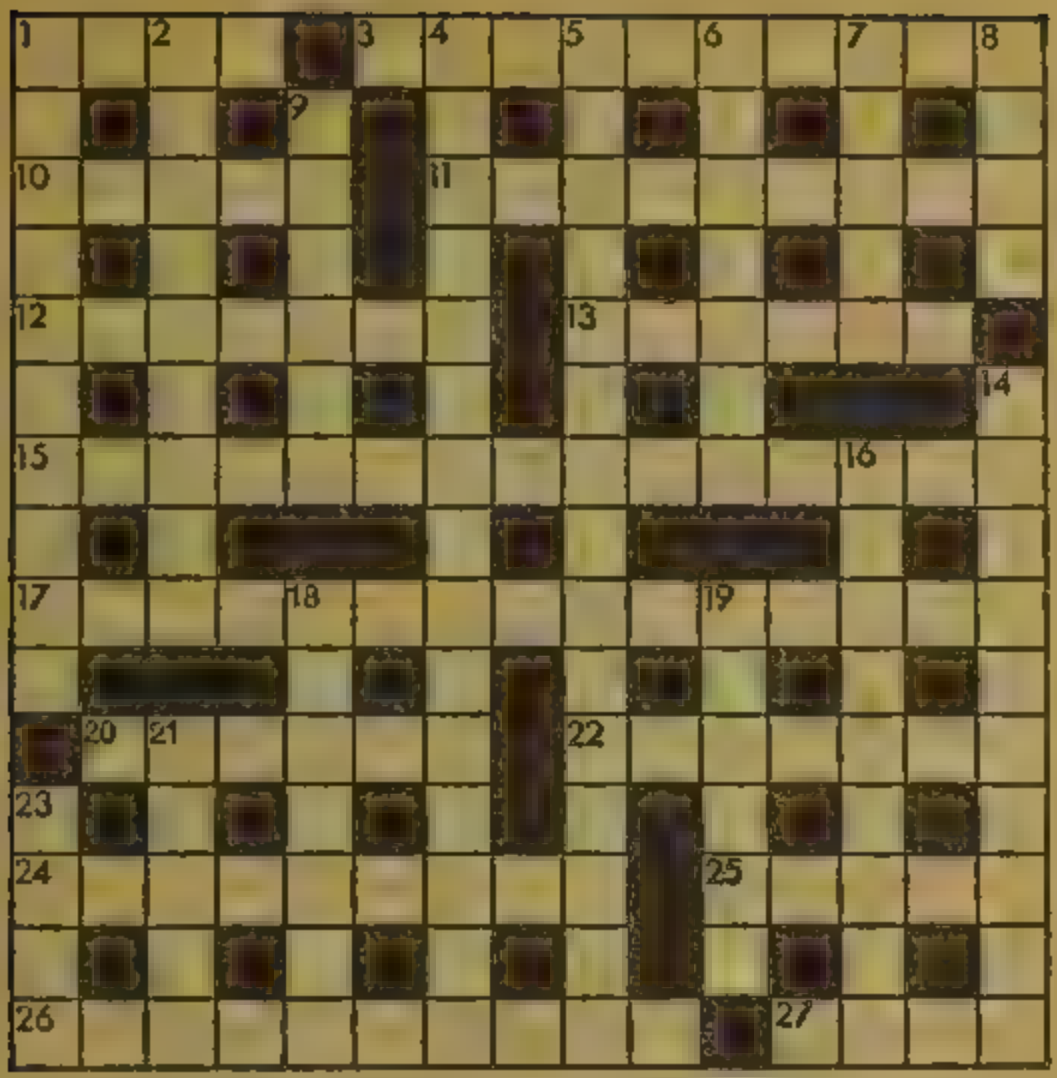

ACROSS

1 Back health resorts to give you vital juices (4)
3 Policeman about to hold somehow a rustic (10)
10 A superior chap becomes business man (5)
11 Musical exercise—fool is upset about what produces bird (9)
12 Beat the wiry grass like a flickering flame (7)
13 In the hunt I may be seen in an open carriage (6)
15 Description of narrow victory—by no means 5 down? (3, 2, 1, 5, 4)
17 "Little grains of sand"? No, says grocer (10, 5)
20 Rustic and superior person get on well together (6)
22 Home unfinished: try a roof in it—people swear by it (7)
24 Twist a true claw, as cats do (9)
25 A grain that grows into a tree (5)
26 Athlete nothing—I'm not much of a flyer (6, 4)
27 One old railway collection (4)

DOWN

1 They're rogues—that's to say comrade wavers (10)
2 Serious illness? No—up, I mean, but very shaky (9)
4 The Navy's tendency towards the right? (4, 2, 9)
5 Needing a tall hat? Chic, lilac-hooped for a change (15)
6 What do hams do? Try a girl in October (7)
7 They follow brides and are in the marriage register (5)
8 Part of the house in which to put up a dark man (4)
9 Fish in place of pig—that's awfully hard (6)
14 Decorations fuss Navy personnel up a street (10)
16 Burglar's implement? Gently moved the swag upwards (5, 4)
18 A bit of a stunner, vexing, may well do this (7)
19 Mother unfortunately turns upside down in obeisance (6)
21 Like the strength of the pure in heart, frequently (5)
23 Result of accident—motorists' club's upset (4)

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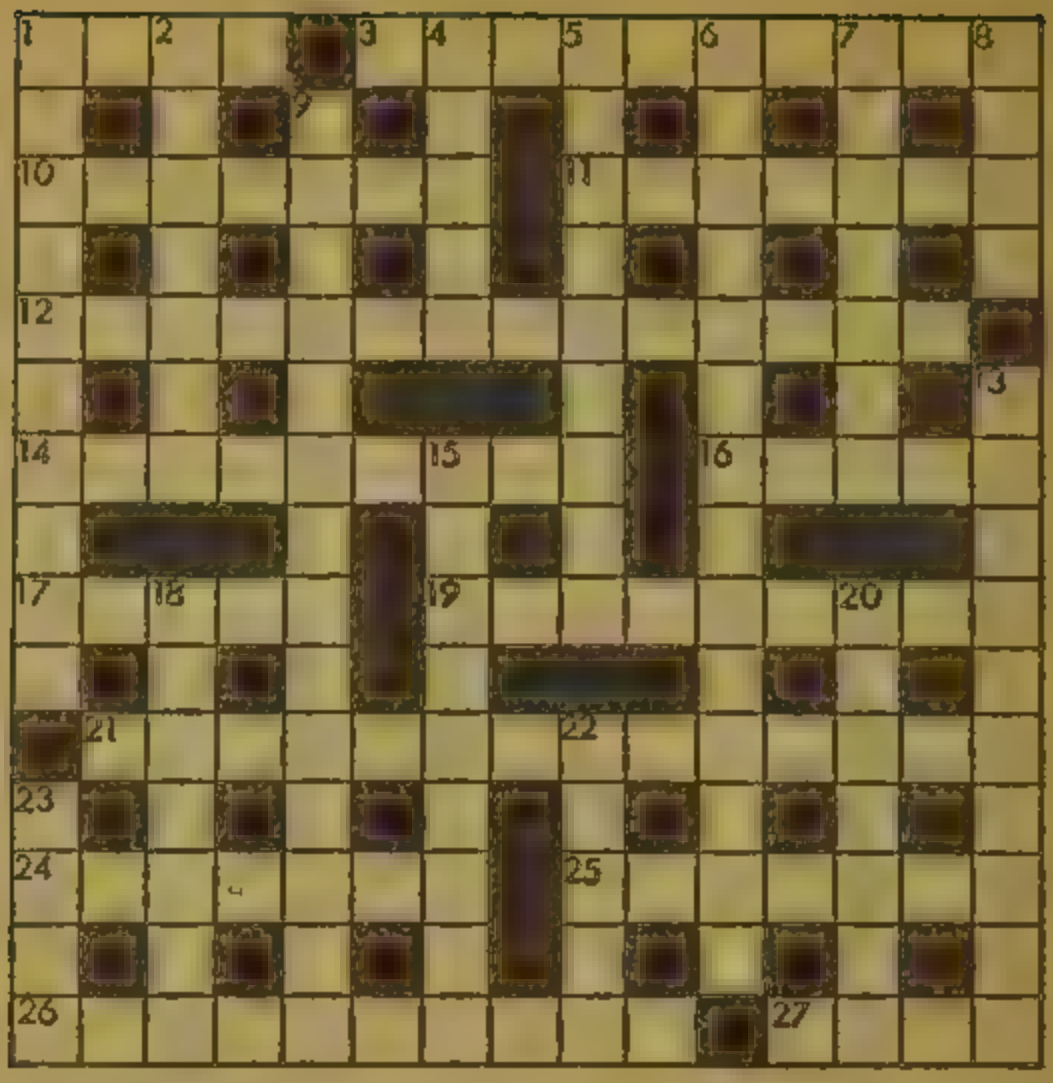

ACROSS

1 5 is a useful thing if you're going abroad (4)
3 Active, with a balance in hand and cheating? (2, 3, 5)
10 The curb is inside that (7)
11 Fancy a person losing a child—there's the sound of it crying (7)
12 Former cause of trouble in Europe, to produce a brilliant passage? (6, 8)
14 This formal shape is a centre of wreck and confusion (9)
16 Source of rector's income from a single benefice? (5)
17 Follow Walpole's unfinished young schoolmaster (5)
19 Tiff ceas'd strangely: that's what quarrels do (9)
21 A lot of guesswork, after the football ground floodlights go out? (5, 2, 3, 4)
24 Shorten a game (7)
25 Place in the north of Scotland humbled in Ireland (7)
26 Shy lady confused with din—in a very smart way (10)
27 Revolutionary ring returns in E. Germany (4)

DOWN

1 Pit at revue very unruly—show violent disapproval (10)
2 The lady meets a rising demand for varnish (7)
4 It's terror that makes Father endlessly pleasant (5)
5 Broadcasts in which the information is staggering? (4, 5)
6 Receiver's performance on the tee? Exceeding the limit, perhaps (7, 7)
7 Beg a little devil to acquire some learning (7)
8 The clothes to make one boast uppishly (4)
9 What the translators of *Un Jour* said, before packing up? (3, 1, 4, 2, 1, 3)
13 I often go right through the whole joint (4, 6)
15 Things actors say are taken in by the gallery: keeping it clean's next in importance to this (9)
18 Kind of electricity bird goes through Hell (7)
20 Qualified and efficient in the end (7)
22 To you and I a quid's what one puts on a horse (5)
23 Don't allow pence for the musicians (4)

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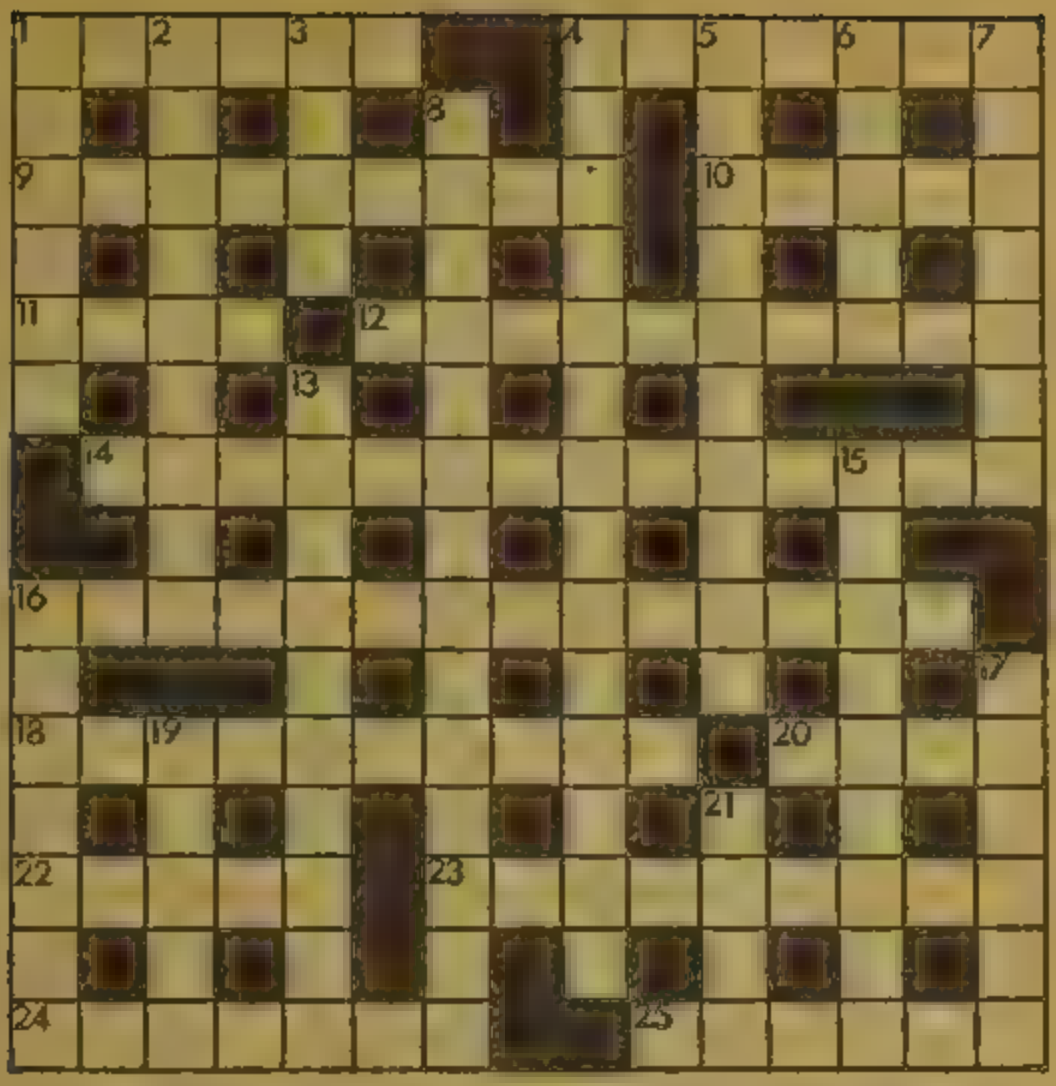
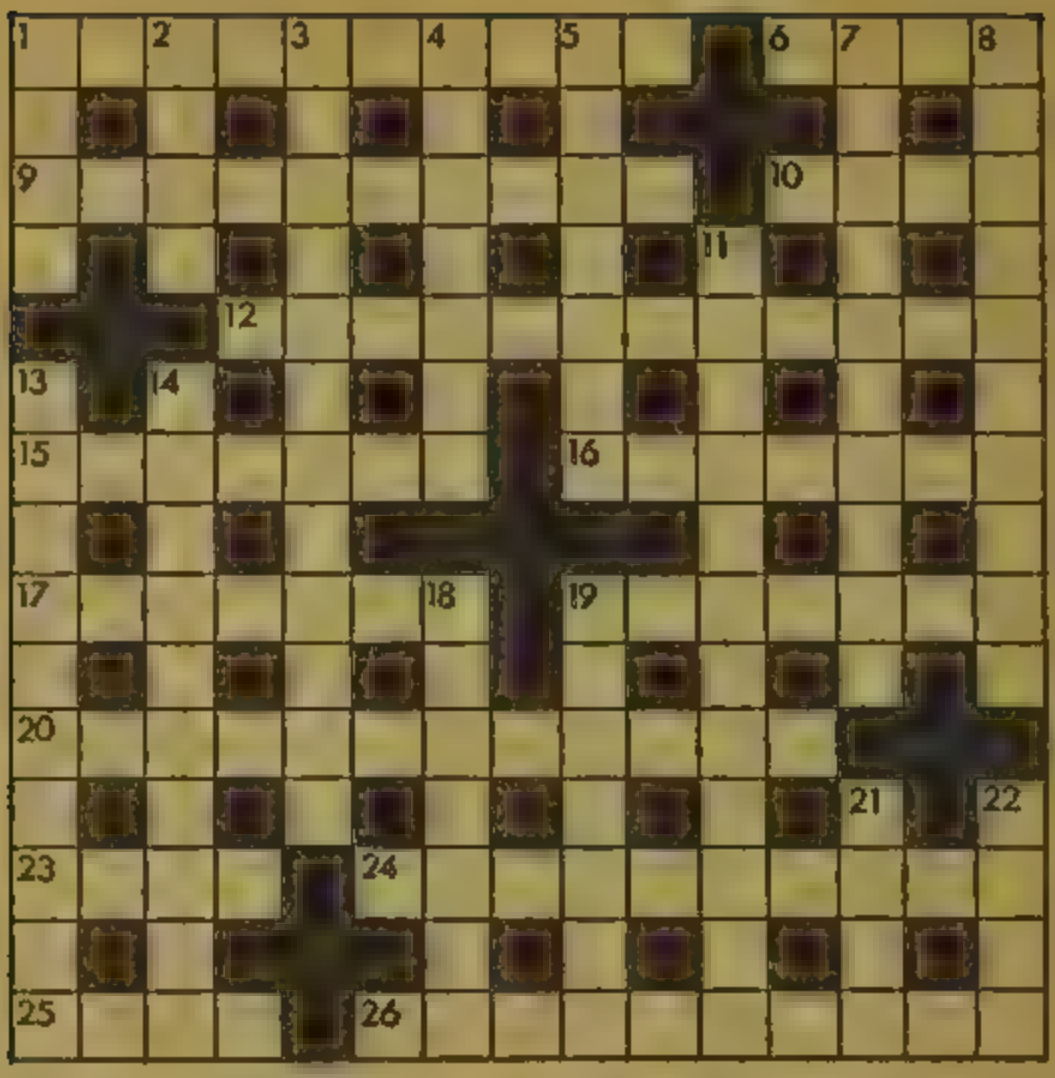


ACROSS

1 Big noise in get-up for equestrian exercise (6)
4 One who has a taste for a bit of embroidery (7)
9 Café that will do for matinées to a T (9)
10 The combine to mature without the aid of the West (5)
11 No doubt he'll give the lady a ring (4)
12 Signifies long matches—they limit allowances (5, 5)
14 Plays for safety—and depresses the receiver? (4, 2, 3, 5)
16 Part of a spring week-end devoted to outworn humour? (8, 6)
18 For 'U' spirit of naughtiness in depression, try a variety show (10)
20 A dignified bird—falls just short of ostentation (4)
22 Bit of a coarse yarn—that's th' spirit (5)
23 Working like a Trojan with a lot of bluster? (9)
24 Part of the boat went first with a ragged edge (7)
25 Camping, evidently, with concentration (6)

DOWN

1 Cheer wildly over nothing and resound (6)
2 Decide to try to prevent something exploding (9)
3 Positive form of number, with little power (4)
4 Forbid the wedding, like a dull batsman? (3, 2, 3, 6)
5 How Clementine blew bubbles—the alternative to a long stretch in gaol? (6, 4)
6 Plunders a rising seat (5)
7 A return thrust to tear toes to bits (7)
8 One rude dish run badly—not properly fed (14)
13 It's different in a hashed salmi: it should be at a constant temperature (10)
15 Very pale, I, wan there, in confusion (4, 5)
16 Chap, a tiresome youth, much in demand (7)
17 A jumper based on black and white squares (6)
19 Name for a man with a bit of unlawful riches (5)
21 Something soft falling (4)



ACROSS

1 It's a poor publication: don't let the coin drop (10)
6 Blackleg's crusty after a wound (4)
9 i.e. grab Mary? That's all wrong, in law (2, 8)
10 Austen heroine employed in stratagem-making (4)
12 Stork with a commission? (8, 4)
15 A hundred words of wisdom in a small boat (7)
16 Mondays made horrible by generating machines (7)
17 Painting is about half of them: she was divine (7)
19 Aged relative to be avoided by Boy Scouts (7)
20 In each of these one can be patient in solitude (7, 5)
23 Have a quick look both ways (4)
24 Satanic oil has become contrary to public interest (10)
25 Ill-considered spots (4)
26 Means of estimating how heavy the Wooden Horse was? (4, 6)

DOWN

1 A solid block, like 8 (4)
2 The moment to issue upwards (4)
3 Tailless charger of French fight? It's out of action (4, 2, 6)
4 Mince pie—treat like bacon? He won't like that (7)
5 To pull the trap up is mean (7)
7 There's a remark about Tim getting up: you mustn't try to get out of it (10)
8 Waves: they should tickle the animal appetite (10)
11 Things improved: it's fairly tall in bed (8, 4)
13 Get rid of a journal, for making rough copy (5, 5)
14 Strip—tense, all het up: it may be only skin-deep (10)
18 To act as a guide about the Navy is not so easy (7)
19 What made the apple drop? It's in the meat-juice (7)
21 Half a prison are in good voice (4)
22 Monotonous place to live in (4)

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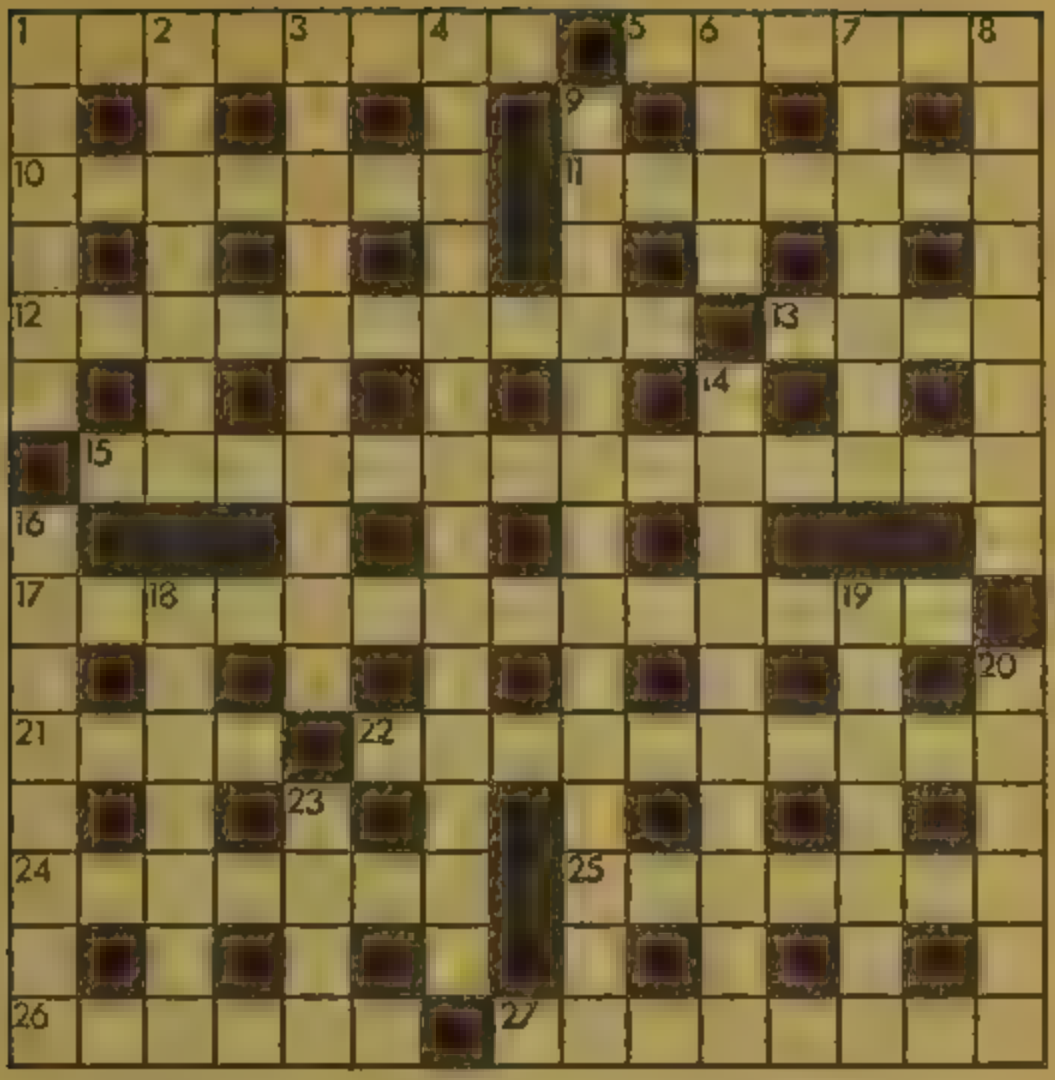

ACROSS

1 I help with the tank—arrest leader (4-4)
5 Sort of energy you find in a potato-microbe (6)
10 Go as fast as you like, as the bookies' adverts say (2, 5)
11 Just—what the unlucky shot hits (7)
12 Such issues are the reverse of identical about a country (10)
13 Artillery sent back—a joiner required (4)
15 When there is this, the young lambs do it (6, 2, 3, 3)
17 Not the idiom of the House of Lords, presumably (6, 8)
21 Some bread that suggests rock (4)
22 Wild chervil, with which to garnish cold beef? (3, 7)
24 Fish that the bride must have (7)
25 Incorporated shipping company shows a downward trend (7)
26 In fact, it's about a friend (6)
27 Is about such a lot after time, and leaves alone (8)

DOWN

1 Low source of heat over a range (6)
2 Nothing wrong with a politician spreads light (3, 4)
3 Simile in which Moor's panic is out of control (10)
4 Showing temper—with a niblick in a bad lie? (7, 2, 5)
6 To jog along up is a minor crime (4)
7 The colour of a French victory over 100 years ago (7)
8 More than half educate sanguinary class (8)
9 Without a break goes—they'll do them at the garage (7, 7)
14 Real hit act adapted for the stage (10)
16 The sort of chap to win a heat, obviously (8)
18 Beat up a solo in a fever (7)
19 Member of an orchestra—or a gaol-bird? (7)
20 Drinks that may well be sec (dry) (6)
23 The philosopher to do the grinding (4)

ACROSS

1 Fruity assignations (5)
4 It's the brute's lair—sit back—make an effort—does it hurt you? (9)
9 Almost superfluous things with eyes (7)
10 There's an anthem in it containing potential rot (7)
11 The sort of experience a hanging judge needed? (7, 3, 5)
12 Clotted gore round a cask reveals a moth (3-5)
13 Scorching free from encumbrance after a hill (6)
16 Jumper with a horse's head on a check background (6)
18 Dunce's reward, used in exams (8)
21 Not sausage, David, stewed: it's bad for you (15)
22 Led game erratically, but showed brilliance (7)
23 Had a meal in comfortable home—extremely tidy (7)
24 Rude Edwardian fellow? No, a favourite with children (5, 4)
25 Antelope seen in oriental country (5)

DOWN

1, 2 Fairly modern dancers' plea, or warning to sailors nearing treacherous coast? (4, 5, 3, 4)
3 The infants' requisites trade showing elusiveness on the field? (7, 3, 5)
4 Draughtsman's symbol among the bucks, perhaps (8)
5 Makes animal noises that sound like refusals (6)
6 L'école tearing it in pieces between seats of learning (15)
7 There's nothing in the rising rumour, he swears (7)
8 Novelist who sounds like an Irish poet (5)
14 I may be seen in a job, in fact, firmly placed (9)
15 Mitigator frequently seen in the curtailment of bondsman (8)
17 Dante is translated as an alternative (7)
19 Disease causes a cavity in a rising curve (7)
20 Seat for eminent divine in an auction (6)
21 What you should do to the bed for your figure (5)

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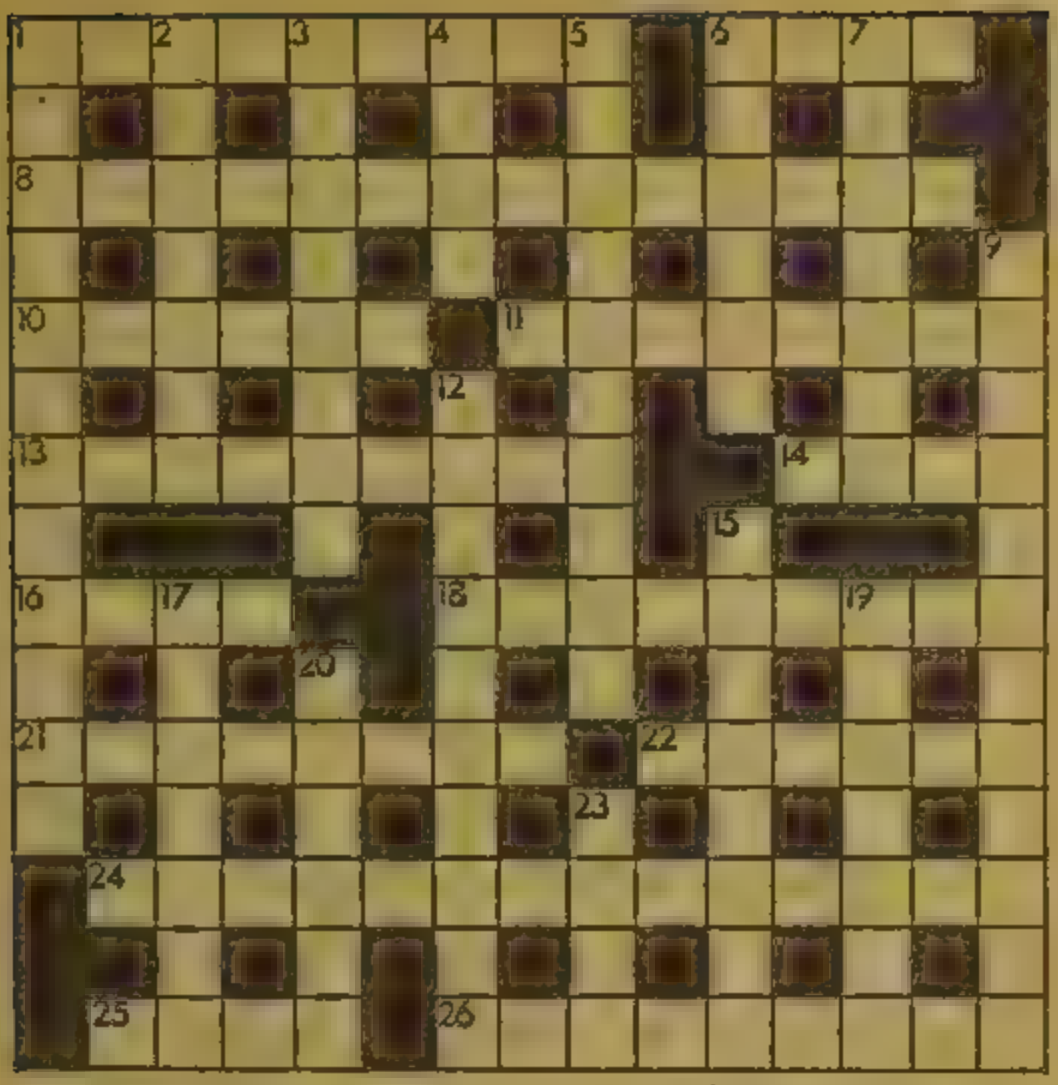
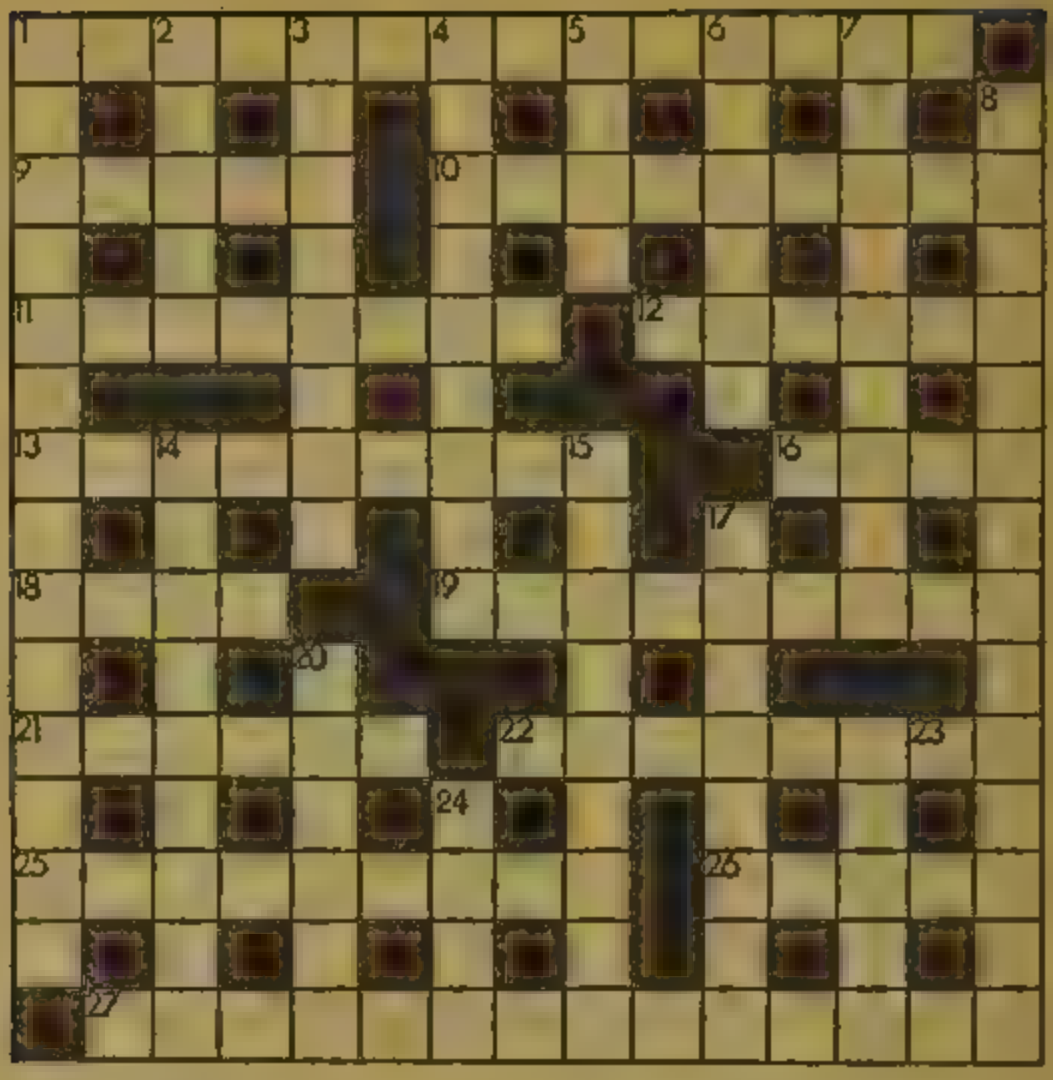


DOWN

1 A thing about a brook that's like a mystery story (9)
6 What the R.E. does springs back (4)
8 Look out for speeches—examples of a nasty habit (14)
10 There's a backward howl in each of these narrow streets (6)
11, 13 What the credulous fish swallows? (4, 4, 3, 6)
14 There's water here: I *am* surprised! (4)
16 Looking neat in mufti, dyed (4)
18 A gin lunch—fuddled—and it's an occasion for a bottle of champagne, too (9)
21 To guard against risks about where offices are is hardly safe (8)
22 If you turn this linen, you'll get recompensed (6)
24 Going in the sea with scantier attire will enable you to venture deeper (8, 6)
25 They're poisonous, like an afterthought (4)
26 Otter's egg produces an enterprising breed (2-7)

DOWN

1 Name for daring variety act by Egyptian dancing girl? (3, 4, 5)
2 Reprobate begged and fretted (7)
3 A chance of extracting something useful from bran (5, 3)
4 I act—only a learner—but people adore me (4)
5 Go with us embracing the love of Paris; it's full of appeal (10)
6 Clinging, convulsive movement in the heavens (6)
7 The writers I have can be seen to be thoughtful (7)
9 Combatants reeling wildly in several zones (12)
12 Having fun in a manner Shelley would have praised? (10)
15 Disaster I had, shortly, in a manner of speaking (8)
17 Refuses to claim a grunting female in rows (7)
19 I am past my prime: it's a difficult situation (7)
20 More than one rascal shows no thoroughness (6)
23 There's a giant here; it's full of excitement (4)



ACROSS

1 Jolly good attacks? They often led to executions (7, 7)
9 Girl gets one in a London Vale (5)
10 I am quick and quite refined, on the spur of the moment (9)
11 Tales of the Camerons in trouble (8)
12 Make away with leather with a woolly surface (6)
13 Seizes by way of compensation transport in East Anglian town (9)
16 Prophet is cut short –that's more or less transparent (4)
18 I was hairy, found in the sausages (4)
19 It'll show its teeth—a disastrous wager to follow (4-5)
21 I may be crazy, but I can supply some cover (6)
22 He's Irish—washed the wrong way before an important date (2, 6)
25 The air-gun age is troublesome: this estimates the fallen (4-5)
26 I administer reproofs, being very upset (5)
27 Oddly enough, it's seldom made of union flannel (7, 7)

DOWN

1 The county to bet on in the autumn (14)
2 A solid in Wilde's play (5)
3 What these racing men need when the ground's too hard is in short reduced (8)
4 Not hurrying—taking long about it with anger rising (9)
5 It was confidence that created Ruritania (4)
6 Bird that is a recruit (6)
7 Formerly thoughtful, dear (9)
8 Politicians who got sat on? (4, 10)
14 From one side is the point of view recommended (9)
15 What a poisoner may well have laid (6, 3)
17 I, in something woolly, shall be showing more signs of the heat (8)
20 Neptune, perhaps, gets the dosage wrong (3-3)
23 Dodge of Parisian after a girl (5)
24 Start a fire: this'll supply something to put it out (4)

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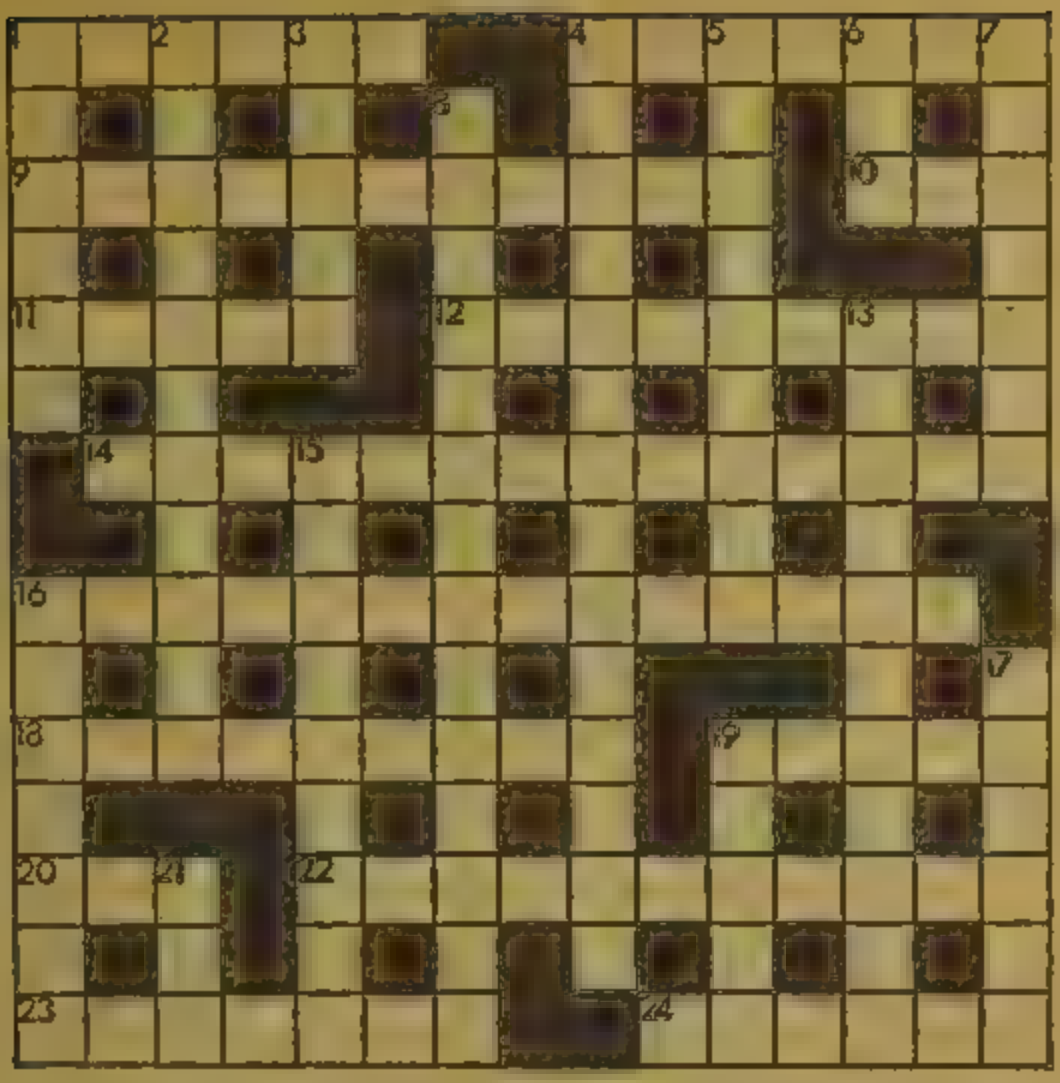

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1 Shape of fruit beside a river (6)
4 Borage plant in which insect meets defeat (7)
9 Light-fitting made of plate, one that depends? (11)
10 Refreshments for nearly the whole side (3)
11 Out-of-date occupant of a box (5)
12 Execution, making light of running away, perhaps (9)
14 Exercised a woman's privilege and said Amen? (3, 3, 4, 4)
16 Students misbehaving in rags, dead—untrue (14)
18 Part of Spain, and half a lump in another continent (9)
19 Stop your engine: there may be a cow in it (5)
20 A politician may help to shock you (3)
22 Enjoying a view, yet failing to notice (11)
23 Give me back the papers, says a great lady (7)
24 One's purpose under canvas (6)

DOWN

1 To cheat people, being soft and smooth (6)
2 Venerable-looking, having B.A. degree, dry, untidy (4-7)
3 Irritated, being verminous? (5)
4 Liable to make jokes at 7 a.m.? (6, 3, 5)
5 Gun at a rag exploded—consumed a tremendous lot (9)
6 Not at home? Quite mistaken (3)
7 Dangles very loosely—severely rated (7)
8 Traitors, going to America and back? (6-8)
13 Not acting in a musical show, with an engagement about 5 (11)
15 Cease to restrict a variety act with unsound morals (4, 5)
16 Poetic heroine obtains pottery without knowing (7)
17 An insult, but not serious (6)
19 To flirt is helpful at meals (5)
21 The hump in fruit (3)

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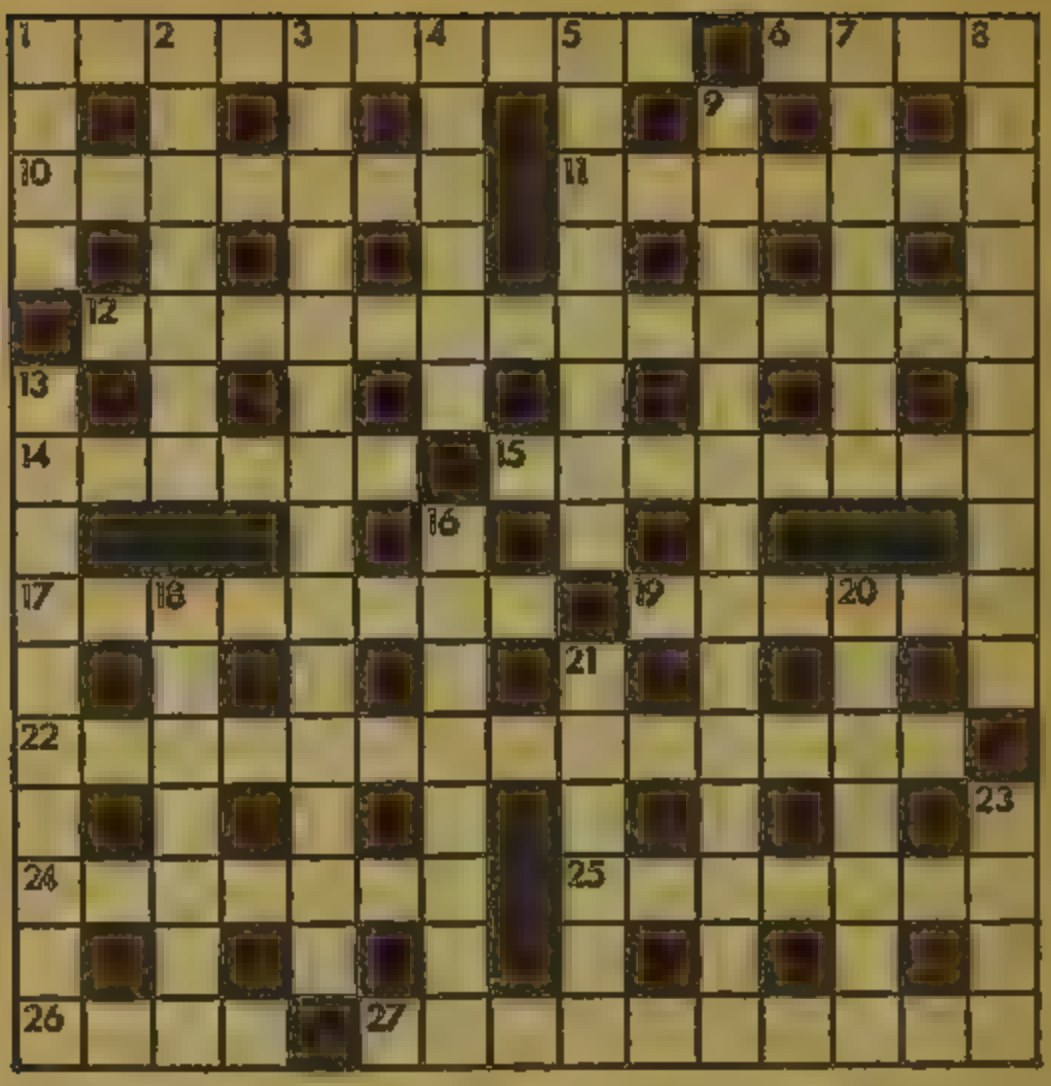

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1 Best view here: it's fine not to have a seat (5, 5)
6 The sack of Loos in quite a different country (4)
10 High dignitary with a border in his crown (7)
11 Cricketer gets about fifty with occupant of the hill obstreperous (7)
12 Shavian problem—which of two pills? (7, 7)
14 150 at any time is ingenious (6)
15 Shakespearean clown, blushing, was rotten (8)
17 Corded stuff went astray—censured (8)
19 Weapons fill in more than half of puzzles of this sort (6)
22 What cuckoo does in June, being brought down a peg? (7, 3, 4)
24 Recipe is fish—or it may be made of meat (7)
25 The P.M. is an inquisitive man about 'em (7)
26 Troubles returning with the whisky? (4)
27 Sounds like a plain tale in church (10)

DOWN

1 To show surprise, or perhaps boredom (4)
2 Fat is a questionable aid with a model's occupation (7)
3 Illustrate a mediaeval history book and exaggerate (4, 3, 4, 3)
4 They may include an alternative explanation (6)
5 Unimportant people, found after well planned murders? (8)
7 An impediment tangles up on French sea (7)
8 Had oilnuts beaten up, looking very odd (10)
9 Asks for support, viz. between bids and cape (5, 2, 7)
13 Twenty combs sold on cricket grounds (5, 5)
16 Deception about like explosive found on the shore (3-5)
18 Aspired in an unusual way, greeted with approval (7)
20 Short musical piece for Eth's partner—noise and nothing more (7)
21 Little boy gets a firm grip (6)
23 Vehicle three feet up (4)

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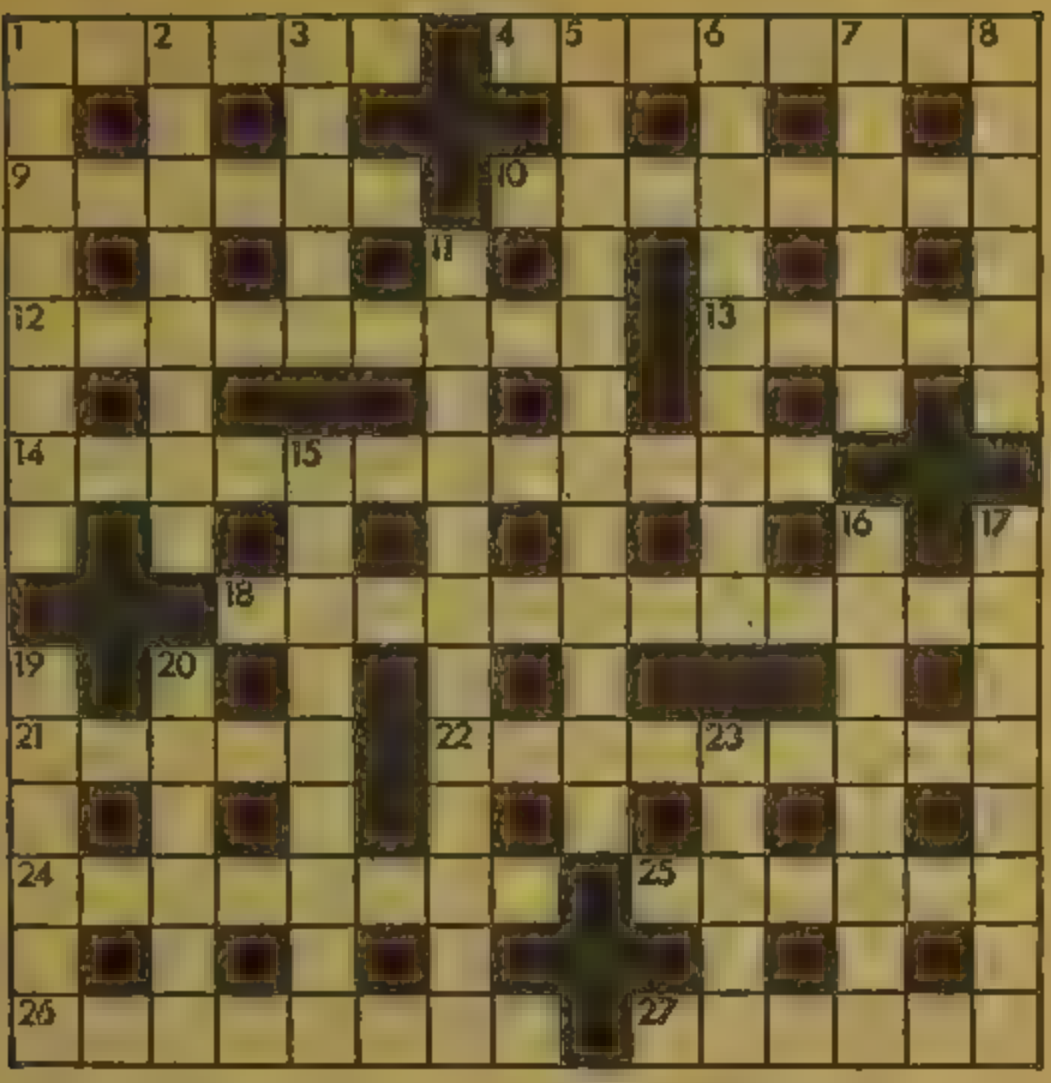

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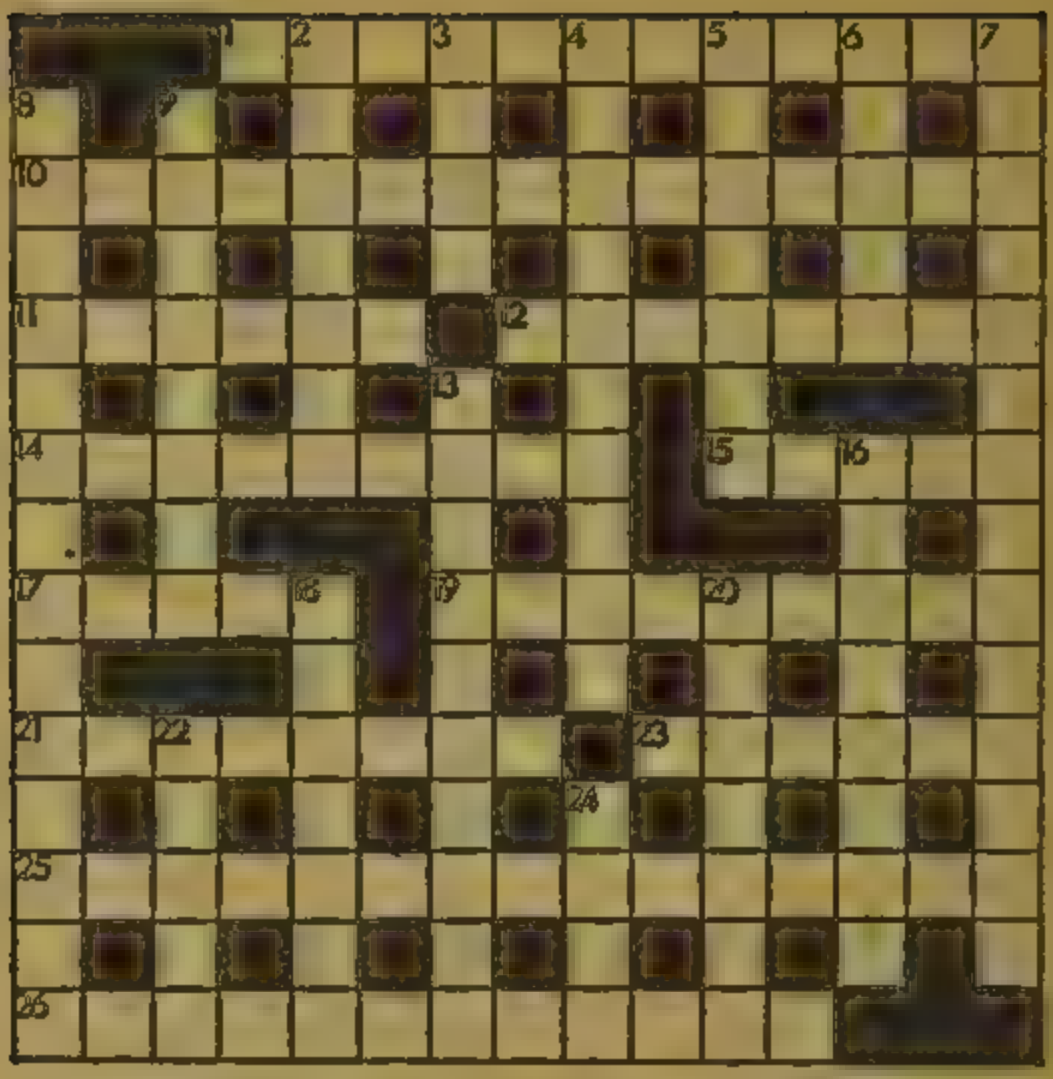
1 "It" boys are usually green (6)
4 They're better than one, especially for winning the toss (3, 5)
9 Beside the river I am nothing, says Arctic dweller (6)
10 Hurry to prepare eggs (8)
12 He drew inspiration from a persistent climber in Scotland (4, 5)
13 Very fast part of a jaunty song (5)
14 Is it sniffy people leaving their cars who are inquisitive? (5, 7)
18 Felt bag fitted with brass is quite stunning (12)
21 Underground chief now in the heavens (5)
22 Stay in bed—don't hurry—use 7 down (3, 2, 4)
24 Got up with last part of 7 down: it's in bed, too (4, 4)
25 Sounds the thing for a lawn in the South of France (6)
26 I try somehow among what's got to be washed up, but it isn't very clean (8)
27 Heathen—give 'im gyp, by the sound of it (6)

DOWN

1, 2 You'd recognise it at a glance, like Pygmalion's statue? (8, 8)
3 Discharge from service of French crowd (5)
5 Cricketer who's responsible for the gate? (6-6)
6 Rather upset in embrace, lying in front of the fire (6-3)
7 It's a trap: see 22 and 24 across (6)
8 18th century writer upsets Ernest (6)
11 They find it difficult to walk, but tightness helps (12)
15 Cowardly young sovereign? (6-3)
16 Murderer finds two fools at home (8)
17 The line on the map is different, Monsieur (8)
19 Health resort, revolutionary, was frugal (6)
20 Moneyed man on a cruise, with angry lips? (6)
23 Name for a girl and not a graduate (5)



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1 Is it ancient ruins that make one flat-footed? (6, 6)
10 Cutting turf to perform an interment in Gloucestershire (8, 7)
11 It's 'U' with a pickled prawn to remove the integument (6)
12 Disease that sounds likely to produce a double funeral (8)
14 Accompanying that is the sparkling talk in her returning (9)
15 The world will protect you from shocks (5)
17 Perforated, like good putter's balls (5)
19 Followers show that the times we live in follow a tangled net (9)
21 Towering among strange mice, like steel (8)
23 Cursed, like a roof (6)
25 I—I'm poor—ten taxes—ruined: doing one's best, with no time to think (15)
26 Tied or untied? Both: that's not the way to play (4, 3, 5)

DOWN

2 Pacify gibberer with vegetables to swallow (7)
3 Fish often seen on the moors (4)
4 In shutness, as you might put it, they're unattractive dwellings (6, 4)
5 Weal? Our Army's was thin long ago (3, 4)
6 Who uses this dwelling? The answer's inside (5)
7 What well known tandem riders couldn't afford a carriage for (7, 7)
8 Behaves, and provides his own discharge? (7, 7)
9 Firework to act like a brake? (3-5)
13 Skinflint and I bind bracket in choir (10)
16 Recover the Tate, damaged in wet weather (8)
18 Quandary—covering upside down on girl (7)
20 Removes from cart dun also, being injured (7)
22 Roman Emperor gives us the bird (5)
24 Storage place: polish up, inside only (4)

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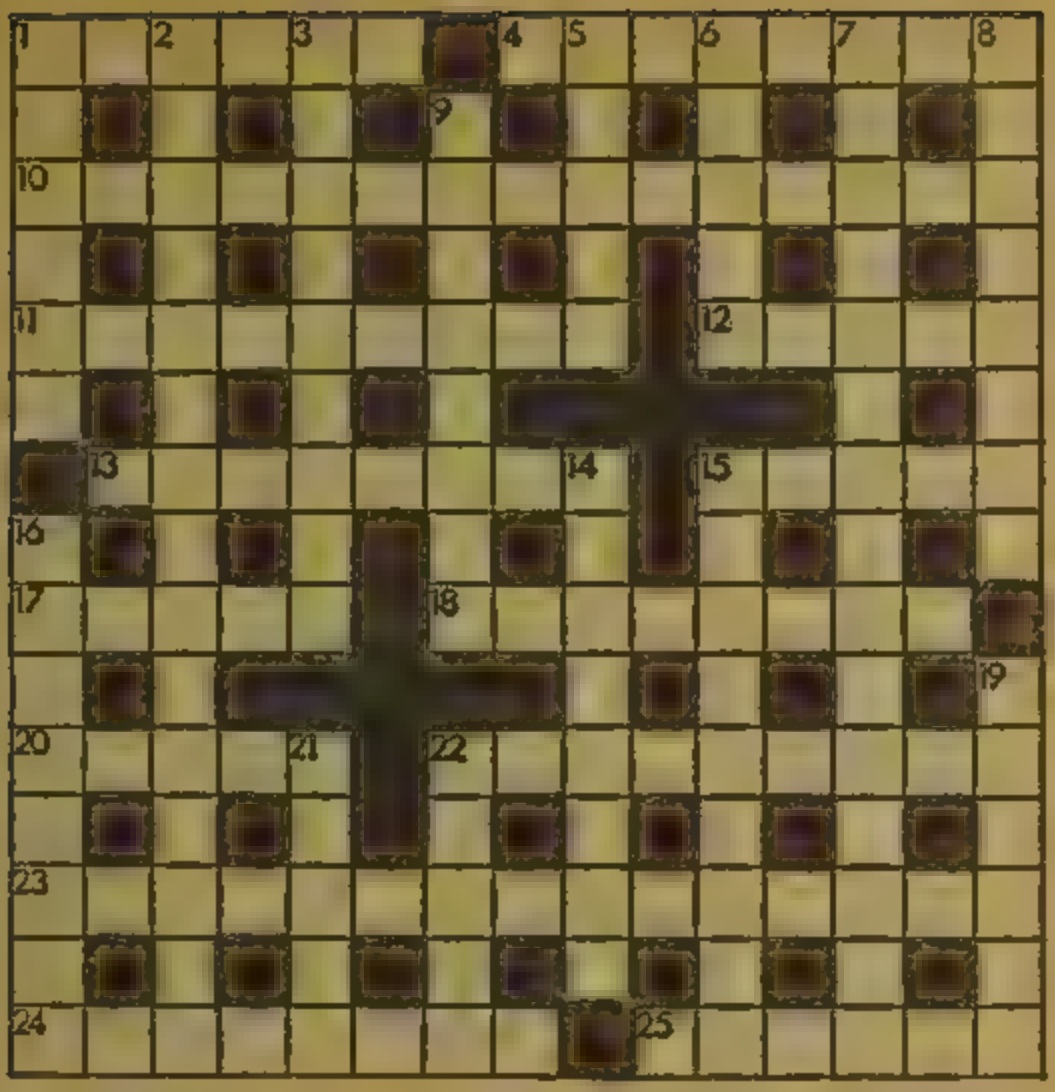
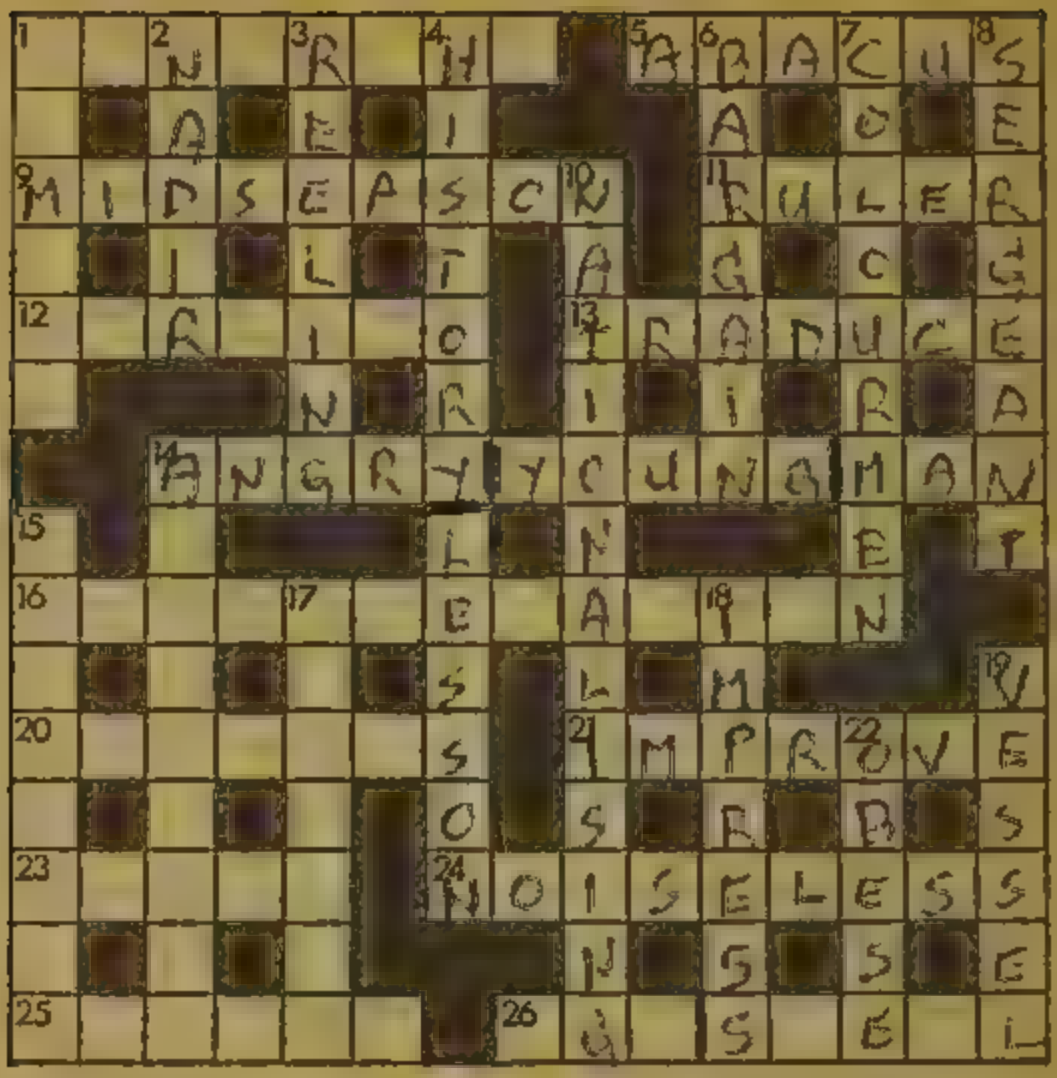


ACROSS

1 Place down under where it's very warm—somewhere to get a drink inside (6)
4 Do a crime—that'll upset this cousin of Esther's (8)
10 Still in danger—from the bottle, it appears (3, 3, 2, 3, 4)
11 The spray to twirl and float along (9)
12 A patriarch is what no rover gathers round the East (5)
13 Many returning in vain, in dull fashion (8)
15 Hurry along and do some polishing (5)
17 Polish with this: you'll find me among less than half the cutlery (5)
18 Upset once about theatrical act—dreamy sort of piece (8)
20 Fold the suit to a T (5)
22 Cut to pieces with her in resting-place—slain (9)
23 Invigorating part of meal for stale professional men? (9, 6)
24 Barbarous old eastern European: Cynthia's upset (8)
25 Makes up for weight in the ebbing ocean (6)

DOWN

1 A lot of people round the North East are very reliable (6)
2 Cricketers ringing the changes? A crazy state of affairs (4, 2, 3, 6)
3 Song in which ring ends where pause begins (9)
5 Piece of music which leaves one Muse unemployed? (5)
6 Engineers in mother a distant hope (5)
7 Angry nation to flee, an exercise avoiding roads (5-7, 3)
8 It's hard work to make an attempt under the river (8)
9 Hill where Hotspur won—almost a sermon on a learned man (8)
14 Nautical men who discompose Strachey (8)
15 Out with the head of hair in fun in Lancashire (9)
16 Country encompassed by wild shes in a famous schooner (8)
19 These reckoners are poisonous (6)
21 If they're on your plate, they aren't really yours (5)
22 There's tea of a sort in the gazebo—heaps (5)



ACROSS

1 Kings establish memorial in Belgian battlefield (8)
5 A taxi returning with us helps to add up (6)
9 Making mad noises half way through a period (3-6)
11 Someone in charge will help to draw the line (5)
12 Almost painful noise and nothing more: this'll deaden the sound (7)
13 To defame requires the reverse of skill with a dictator (7)
14 I'm one of those half-baked upstarts: I need my Nanny, somehow—our gag will help, too (5, 5, 3)
16 Connected things show it: cunning employee gets a day off to do it (13)
20 Noble lady of the Parisian game (7)
21 I am to make a demonstration and get better (7)
23 A ring and a belt will have a bracing effect (5)
24 Sees lions rollicking about without a sound (9)
25 Have a dinner, perhaps, in attempt to produce agreement (6)
26 Instigates haunt of vice—it can easily be broken (3, 5)

DOWN

1 I'm so uppish in Mother's grasp: I'm a sensitive plant (6)
3 Drain has become the lowest point (5)
3 Slippery creature in the arena, ripe for a knock-out (7)
4 Man's conservative, with fewer clothes—this gives a glimpse of the past (7, 6)
6 Profit on drinks? A lot for a little (7)
7 A colonel leading British soldiers: they'll supply material for painters (9)
8 Expert in drill and rough cloth—a busy worker (8)
10 Great race I'm celebrating, doing what Socialists like (13)
14 After pictures I can hardly breathe—may be in the soup (9)
15 Rustic, chiefly, may be the devil's victim (8)
17 Cylinder, etc., wrong: choose again (7)
18 I represent a paper, to command attention (7)
19 Utensil that is part of housewives' selection (6)
22 Too fat to be seen in old vulgarian breeches (3)

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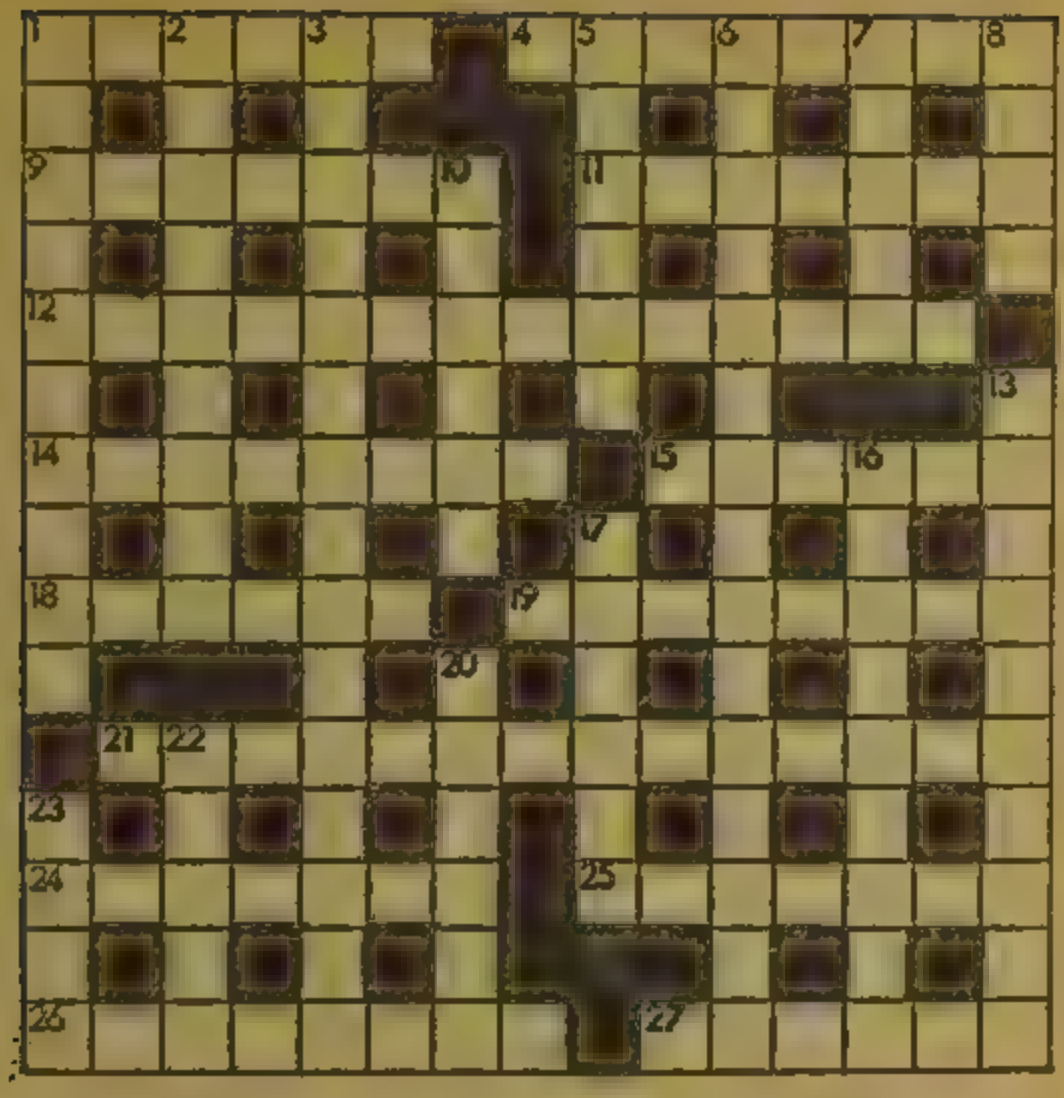
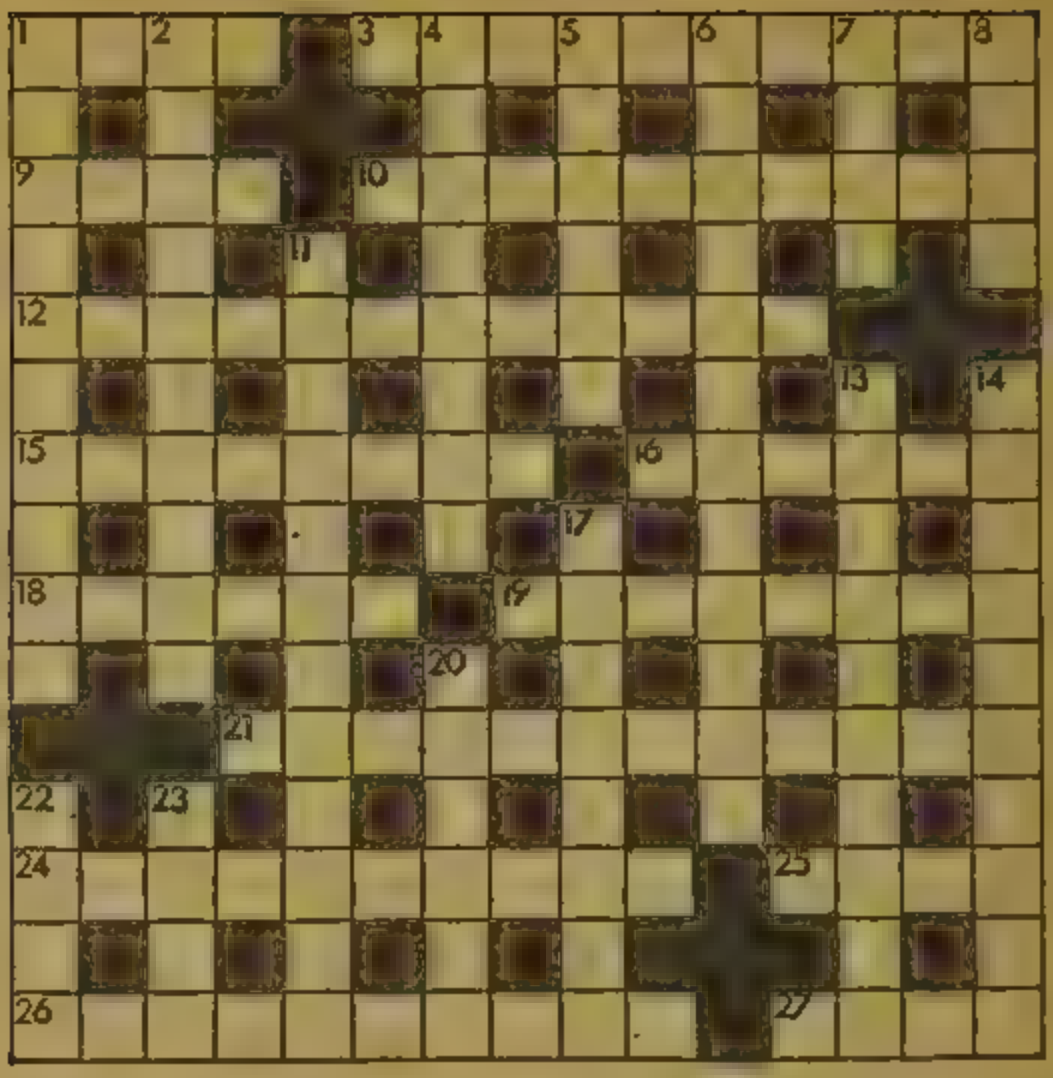


ACROSS

1 City that would be very nice, if it had a miniature railway in it (6)
4 There's one thing missing from a Cheshire town, but it's good for soup (5-3)
9 It's poisonous in the cave—no medicine (7)
11 To puzzle you—minus? (7)
12 High-up policeman after being out in the rain? Some solutions are (14)
14 Tin goddess with tail on head, from Montreal? (8)
15 Provide officers for one Scottish isle (6)
18 V.I.P. at fête will help with the sardines (6)
19 Infantile transport wanted: try Car Co for it (5-3)
21 Organising a low haunt, with sweets in 'im back inside (14)
24 Opportunity to lead fifty in church (7)
25 Sort of drill that's smart round a Teddy boy (7)
26 Not so much in an American star: that's a good thing (8)
27 Elapse out of control when unconscious (6)

DOWN

1 What adds up to 12 with a slice of cake displeases some animal-lovers (10)
2 Coppers are one over the eight (9)
3 A place in London for the light blue clown? (9, 6)
5 Turkey is associated with this language (6)
6 Electrical devices to get in touch with waves? (7, 8)
7 Beans, lentils, etc.—that's what doctor feels (5)
8 It's sheer nonsense, to call for silence (4)
10 A short drink as in plays (6)
13 As pith belt may be adapted for this, it's used at sea (10)
16 Four after a little bird in front, producing results (9)
17 Fix tool up in desert places (6)
20 Instrument setting up nought nought four (6)
22 Francis was a nautical bird (5)
23 He's a strike-breaker: i.e. a good sailor (4)



ACROSS

1 Breakfast food container is sheer torture (4)
3 Fuddled toper with a pain, raising objections (10)
9 Containers for ashes of beheaded poet (4)
10 We're settling in the country: I am going both ways with allowances (10)
12 Sauce with a little bit of fluff means a reprimand (8, 4)
15 Imitator gets it if it's a cocktail (8)
16 Musical work and wine return—too much, musically speaking (6)
18 Exams in which you can get drinks (6)
19 Standard beauty for upstarts (8)
21 To wander among tangled wires and bast, producing fruit (12)
24 Station, thoroughly chilled, it seems, it's apt to produce delays (4, 6)
25 Having a complete rest in mid-Lent (4)
26 Desert site, reconstructed, adjoining a thoroughfare (4, 6)
27 To revise and correct the ebb of the sea, apparently (4)

DOWN

1, 2 Political meeting, when knights were bold? (5, 5, 10)
4 Fanciful or sentimental, with a classical twitch (8)
5 Fractions—the doctor's up in this (6)
6 Tools that are very hard on poor nags? (12)
7 The first person on a Scottish isle (4)
8 General sense that every magistrate must have (4)
11 Swaying movements: you'll see a spring flower in it soon, tossed about (12)
13 Without prejudice began, being about to object (4-6)
14 True to principle, and satisfied about a girl (10)
17 Lavish picnic, presenting distorted cube in the nude (8)
20 Old chap who lands big fish? (6)
22 Chooses a troublesome spot (4)
23 Part of a gorgeous edifice, no longer new (4)

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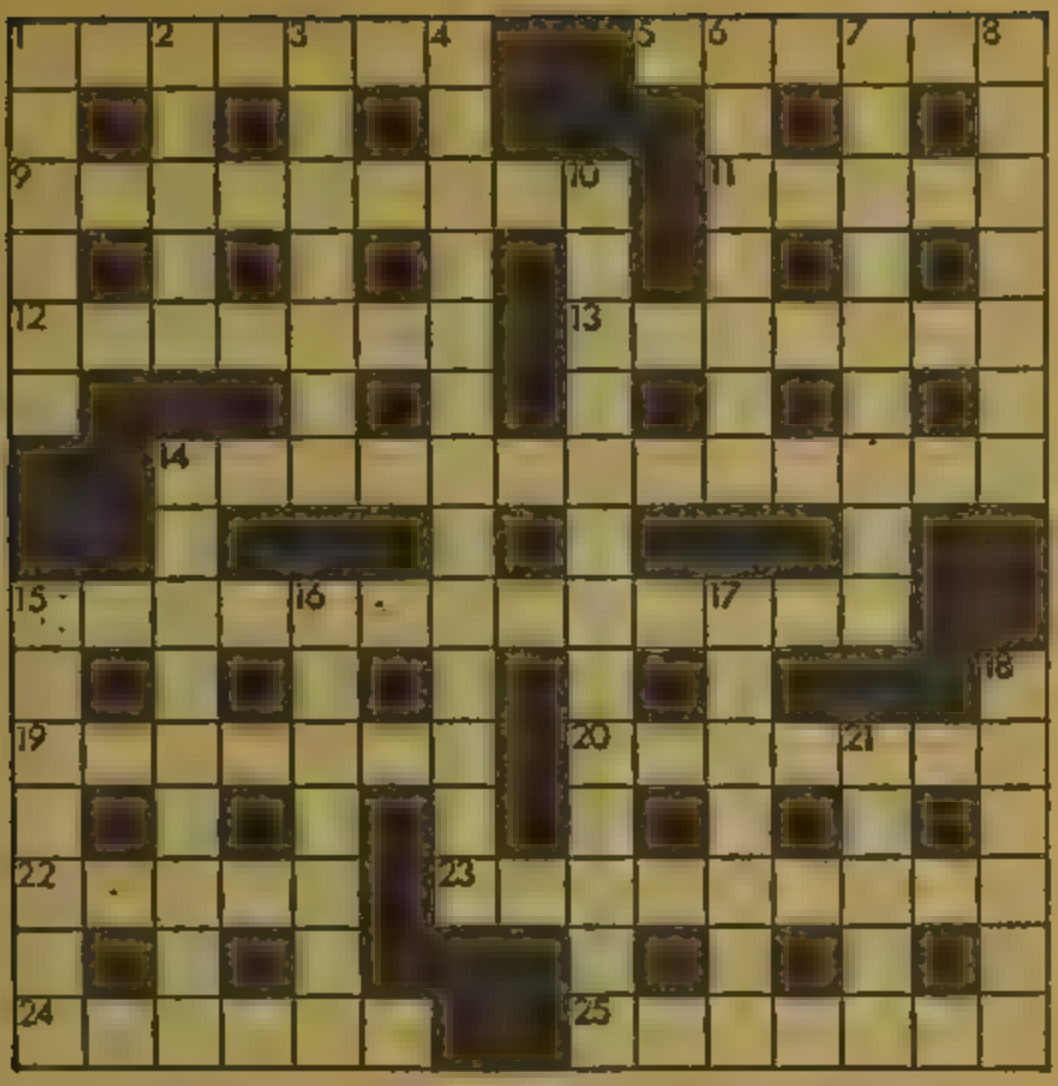
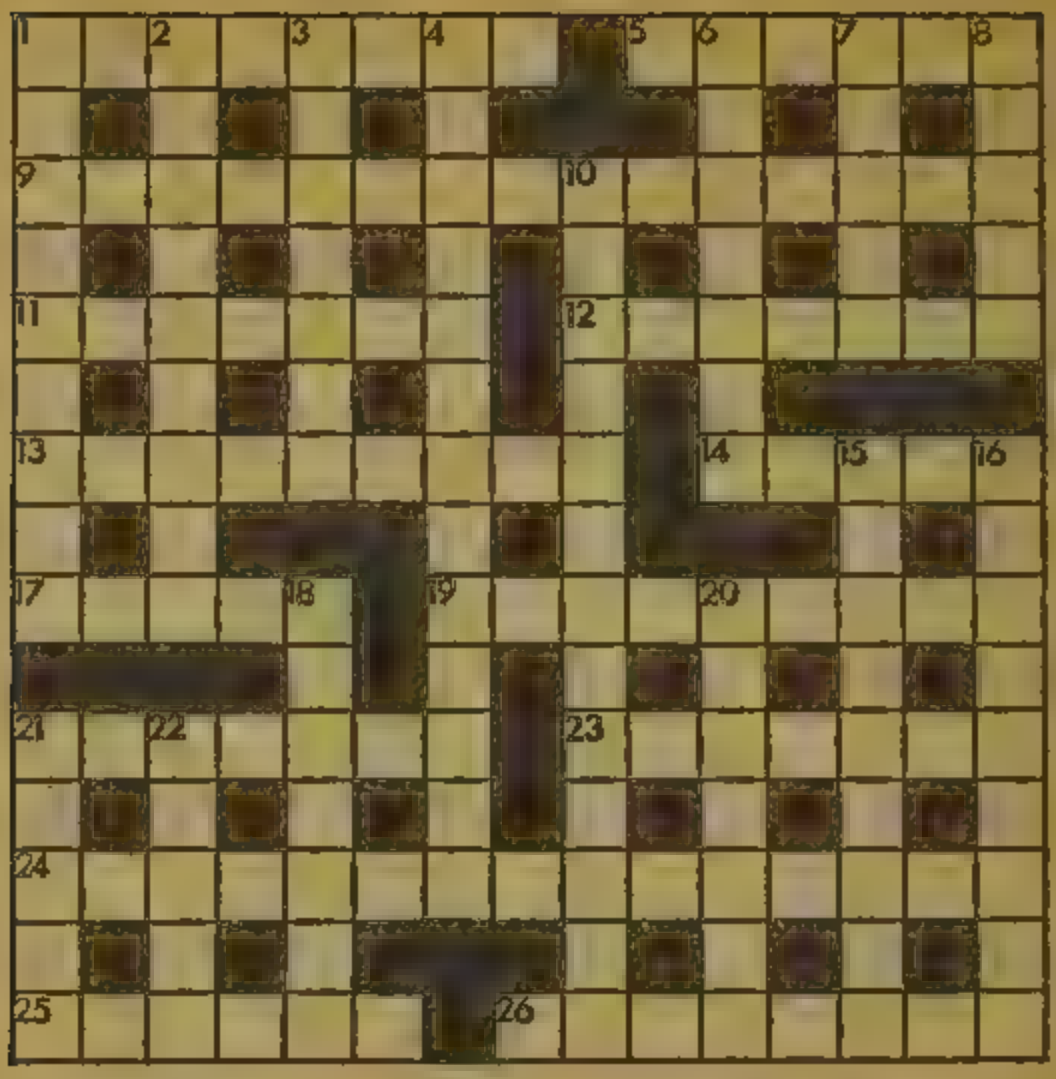


ACROSS

1 Satellite should be placed in a revolutionary skin (7)
5 Home Rule for India caused a struggle in James's return (6)
9 Queer tripe in modern dance—it needs a conjuror (4, 5)
11 Ben is becoming a dramatist (5)
12 Irish racecourse, where scoundrel has a scrap with a horse's head (7)
13 Very wide rules for cinemas and playhouses? (7)
14 Paper snippets, showing how to pack down the grass after mowing (5, 8)
15 Uproar in thoroughfare fades away: they cause it (6, 7)
19 Splendid advertisement for the old man (7)
20 Ring legal experts where tax was collected (4-3)
22 Think there's nothing in front of a tree (5)
23 We want to be hospitable here: come in—then we'll do something to a tin (9)
24 Month to be treated with respect (6)
25 There's rubbery stuff in the last ice-cream (7)

DOWN

1 This is neat: it's also needly (6)
2 Superior meal with the lid off (5)
3 Fertiliser produces nasty egg with speed (7)
4 Indoor game for cavalrymen in the West End? (13)
6 Punish your dog, perhaps—if you can catch him (7)
7 Repairs a racket with hoops after the holiday (9)
10, 8 What social climbers—and the English rugger team at Cardiff?—have to do (4, 2, 4, 3, 7)
14 Sharing a rôle with a ruler (9)
15 Italian lady might be soaring (7)
16 Lasting: 15 down, if so, will be a man (7)
17 Sick and reverse of sprightly in scene of *Twelfth Night* (7)
18 Golf club in charge, like the mockings of fate (6)
21 There's nothing in the fibre—it's just empty talk (5)



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1 Stewed eels in rotten shop—no good at all (8)
5 Grape: half the cash is in its unfermented juice (6)
9 ——, said the muddle-headed platitudinarian, but silver is golden (6, 2, 7)
11 This mixture of rice and dark fluid is frozen over (3-4)
12 Crime of a receiver of stolen goods (7)
13 Poverty—in digs, only sixpence—a lot cut out (9)
14 A thousand concealed in scarf—a big hit in court (5)
17 Long beams for enclosed spaces (5)
19 Employees behave like worms——because they won't do a ——? (5, 4)
21 Two monotonous sounds are very ordinary (7)
23 Oboe, blundering about in first half of hymn (7)
24 A *very* hard collar? It'll cost a packet (7, 8)
25 Having a bite, i.e. gnat misbehaving (6)
26 Forecasters sound as if they'll add to our incomes (8)

DOWN

1 The army I happened upon with your leader shows aggressiveness (9)
2 Rend Peter to shreds for James [redacted] Charles? (9)
3 Defeat that does young cubs good (7)
4 Old fogy with exiguous post, bogged down (5-2-3-3)
6 Raises mixed pitfuls (7)
7 General rule to be observed in a cathedral (5)
8 Subject is the leaders of the Middle East (5)
10 Scarf over one side of the head? Became audible, all the same (5, 2, 3, 3)
15 Foreshadow a silent speed (9)
16 Darling goes to sewing-parties, etc.: their products are sweet (5, 4)
18 A very dignified joint? (7)
20 Proud, like gangster's victim's hands (5, 2)
21 This may be the limit: cut your losses (5)
22 The worker below me had a definite purpose (5)

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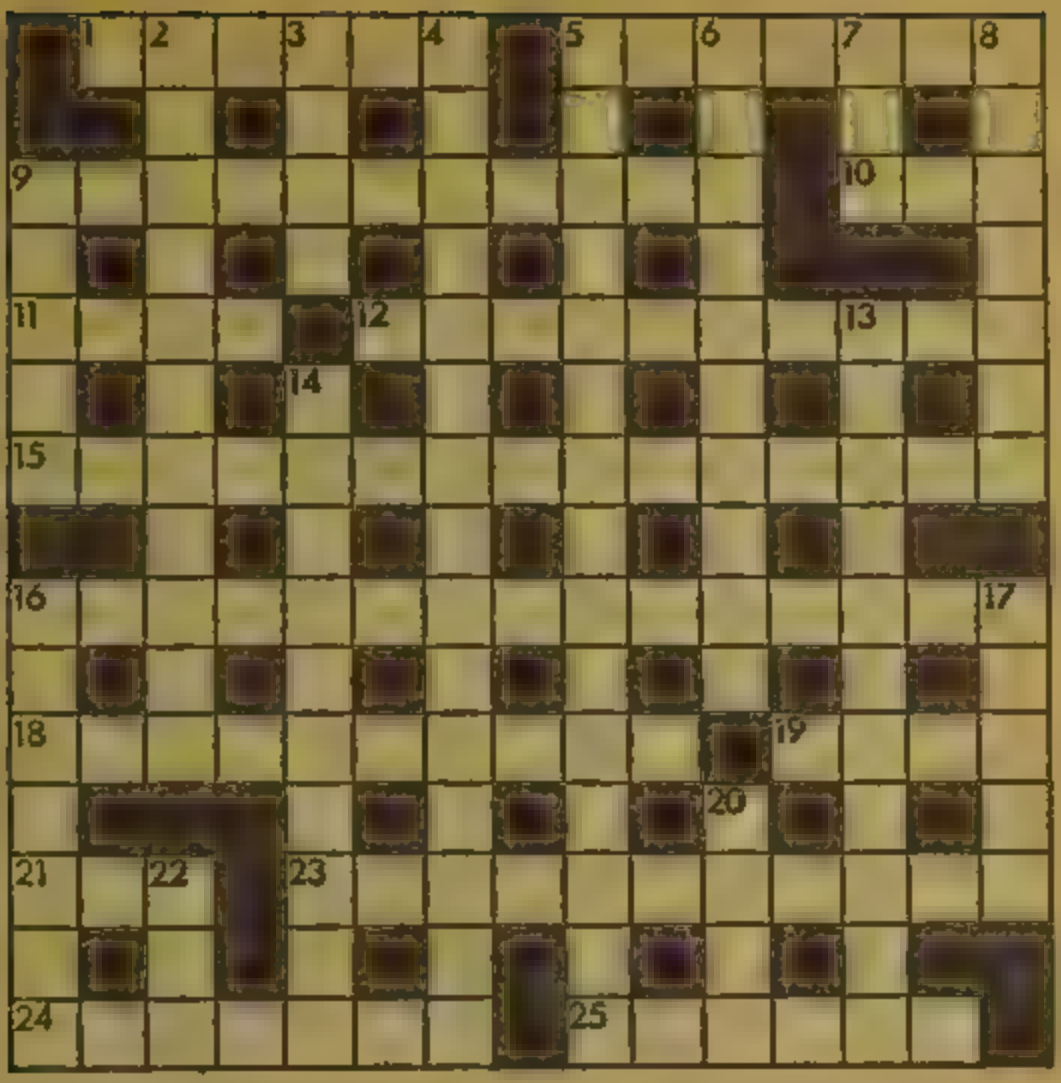
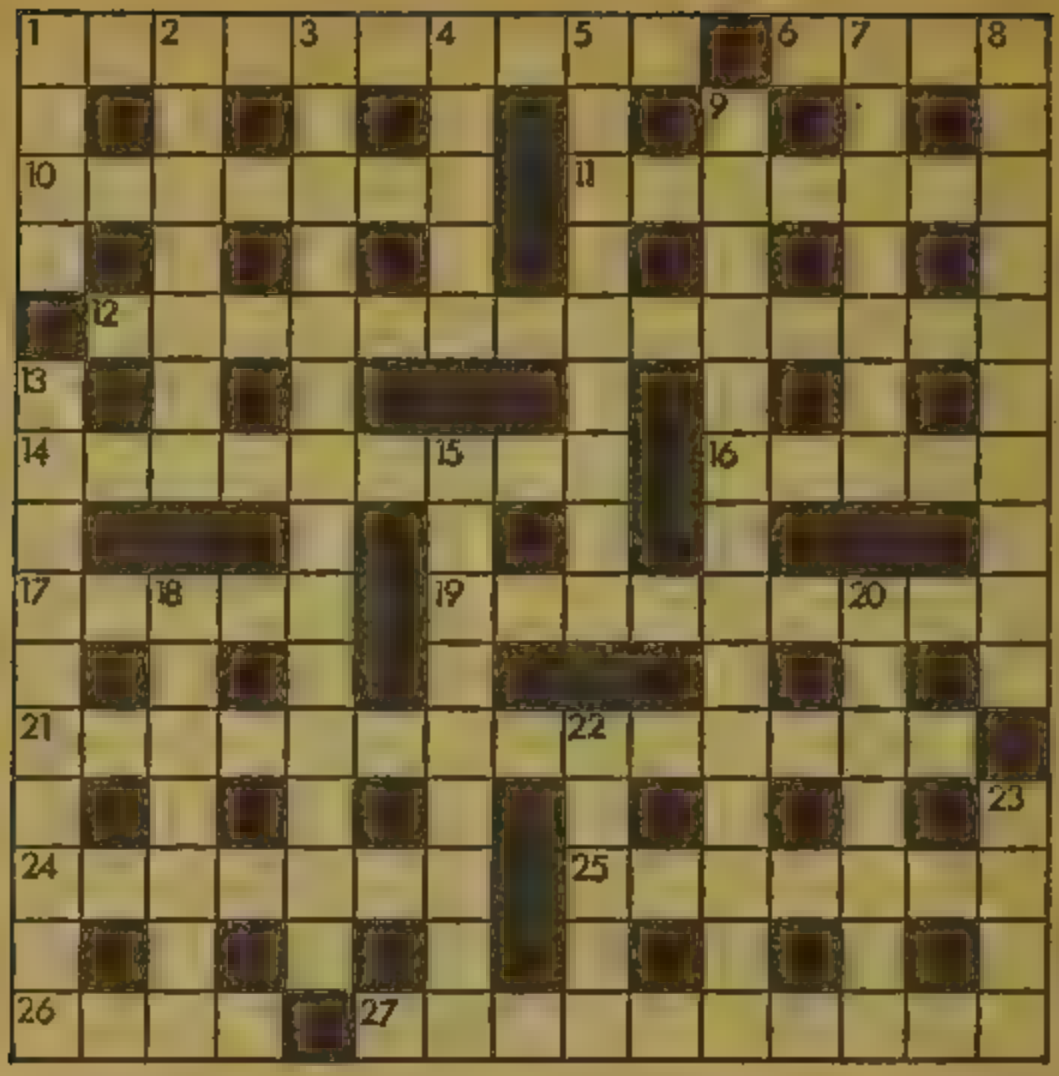


ACROSS

1 Possible National winner? Search is complex (6)
5 Food for keen supporter? Trumpets provide it (7)
9 State of games at 1.30, settled in inns about 2? (5, 6)
10 Ham that grows on a shrub (3)
11 Repeat part of the chorus (4)
12 Like glutton, bad fountain-pen, or key-man's place? (10)
15 Their job may be to cause a change of face (7, 8)
16 Courts where they finished off those to be hung, drawn, etc.? (7, 8)
18 He'll provide an excuse, knocking the middle out of the extent of the Equator (10)
19 China is to be found here—where the flu comes from? (4)
21 German river, where you can get a drink (3)
23 Disparagement? It's evidently going to stop soon (7, 4)
24 Lofty spectators, all in grey for a change (7)
25 After yelling like mad, he embraces a boat-race crew (6)

DOWN

2 She's game for a good dinner party (3, 8)
3 This part of London isn't quite so very warm (4)
4 Speedy, plus confidence—but it often loses (6, 9)
5 Effects from Warsaw? Causes shine in home (9, 6)
6 Expert on diseases, loosing sot when fuddled (10)
7 Tree after the fire? (3)
8 Declare with great speed (7)
9 Stay in bed, and delude people as much as you like? (3, 2)
13 Thackeray's work—unsuitable for the non-U? (4, 2, 5)
14 Hospital expert, tending childish politicians? (5, 5)
16 War-time habit sounds important for the billiard-player (7)
17 Lover is wan when upset (5)
20 It's a bit of a fag raising a good kind of carpet (4)
22 For love, try Cleopatra's home in Paris (3)



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1 I stand and peer confusedly, wondering if it's safe to cross? (10)
6 A lot of horses often lost in a bedroom (4)
10 It's pretty hot, and mud sticks round a celebrity (7)
11 Stories about New Testament—there's one there about these (7)
12 Where golf is played as a stepping-stone to a career? (8, 6)
14 Less than half of regular Jewish quarter is slowish, musically (9)
16 Busy worker taking me back satisfied (5)
17 To skip about, being pickled (5)
19 Engineers a competitor between two salients (2-7)
21 Pitched battles, where the locust has been at work? (8, 6)
24 Have a look at pins, etc.; they need sorting out (7)
25 To remove a door and madden someone (7)
26 Stop, finding walking difficult (4)
27 High-flown, unscanned works—quietly originated with American writer and manuscript (5, 5)

DOWN

1 Little dog on piano in splendour (4)
2 It's hopeless, yet it's praised in a way (7)
3 Put up with the noise and foot the bill (5, 3, 6)
4 Spoke and spoke and spoke in the geometry lesson (5)
5 The part of a skeleton a cockney might drop? (9)
7 Ill-temper discerned in a distant rumbling (7)
8 To hold forth, being set astride for a change (10)
9 Completely done where the things are bought utterly confused (3, 4, 3, 4)
13 Forger who is traditionally tough (10)
15 People between two heights; that's a teaser (9)
18 Friend embracing artist thus keeps the sun off (7)
20 Also stake fairly slowly (7)
22 Poultry, by the sound of it, cause whistles to be blown (5)
23 Answers to problems used by pianists (4)

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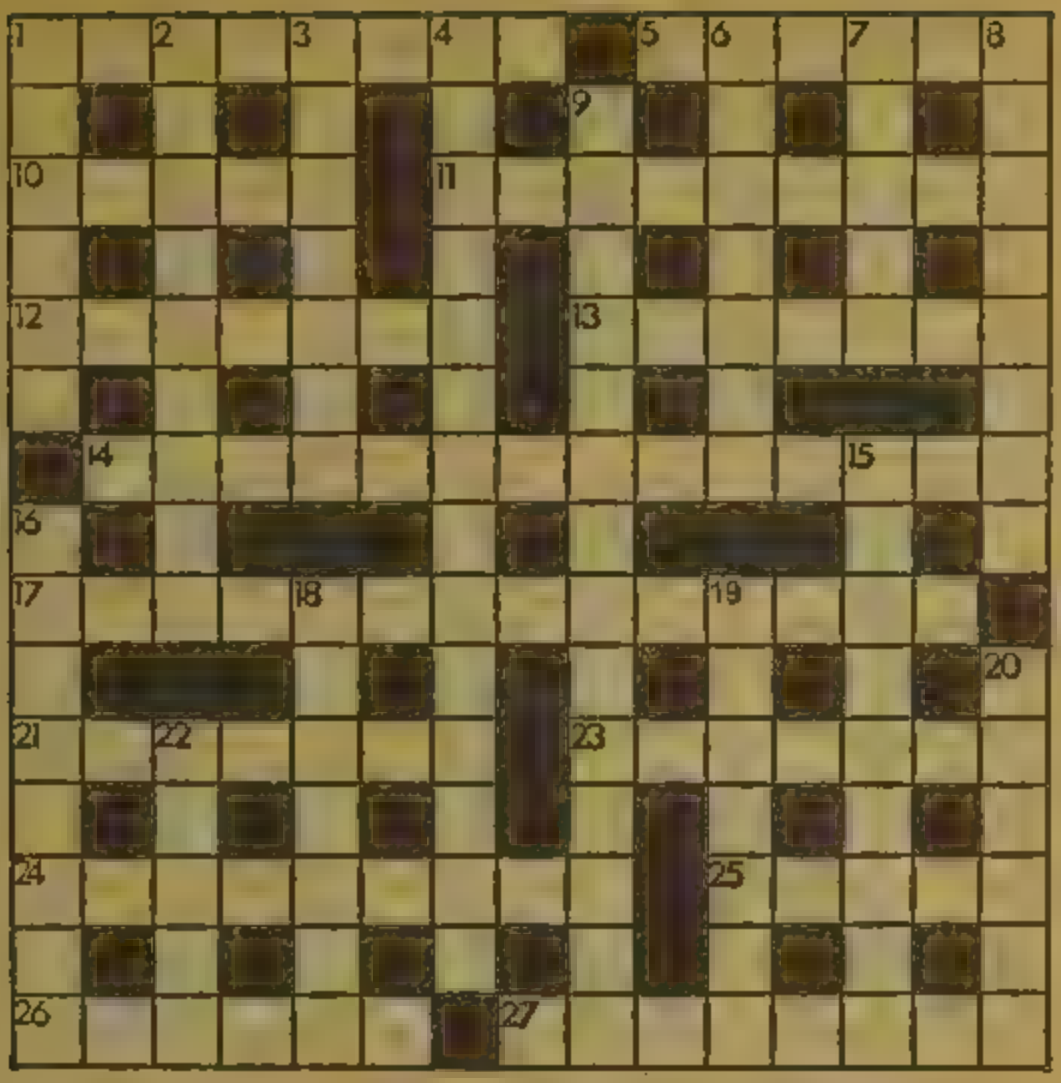

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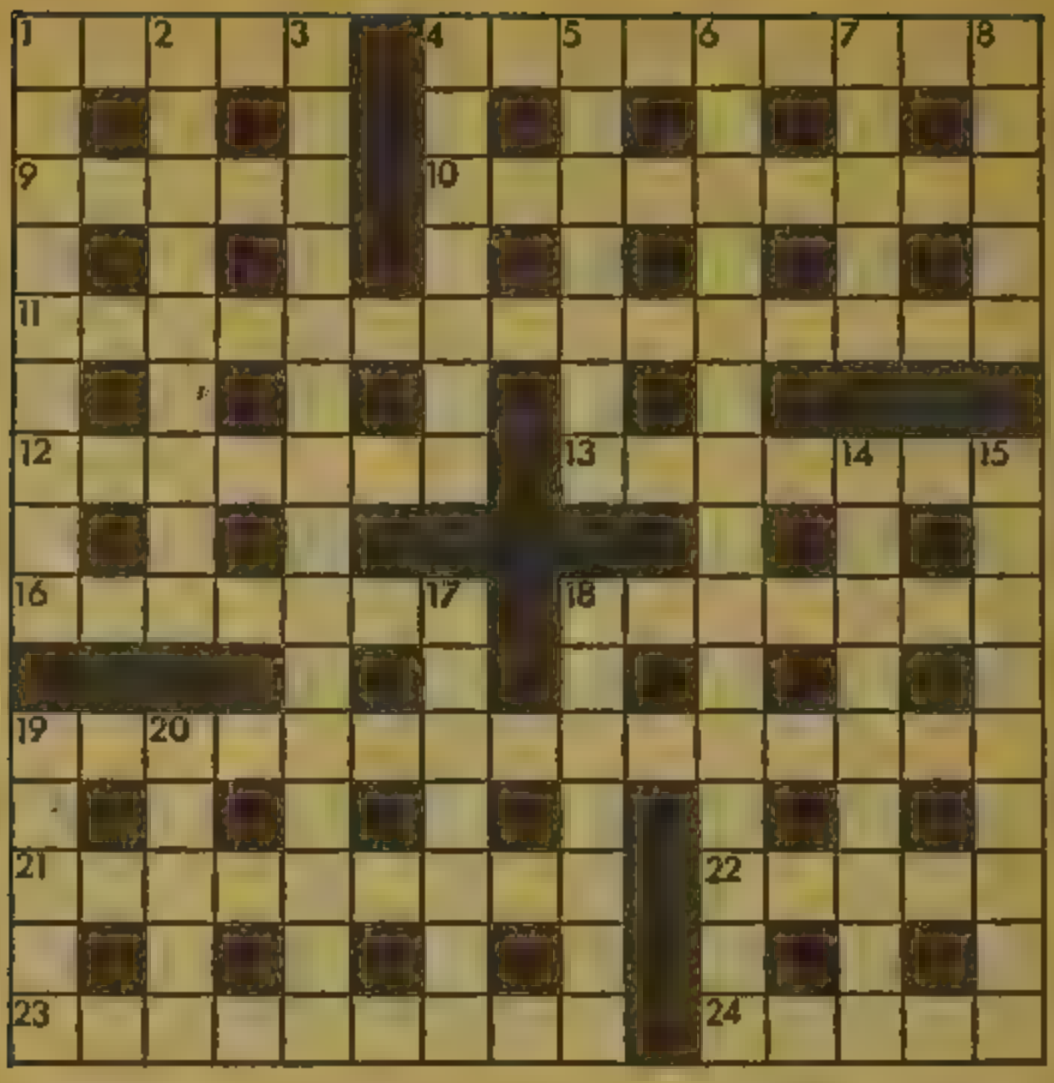
1 To make a mewing sound? They aren't original (4-4)
5 Sign of terror that's excruciatingly funny (6)
10 To cause someone's death makes doctor confess (5)
11 What the audience does in genuine preparation for a show (9)
12 Failure to get one's sea legs properly is eternal (7)
13 Those who take charge temporarily, for example in gaps (7)
14 Politicians' intentions for spending an evening out? (5, 9)
17 Most recherché of French sweets? (5, 2, 2, 5)
21 Figure showing company returning labelled, apparently (7)
23 The people in a solo song in the Middle East (7)
24 Diana's book of worship means the sack (9)
25 Girl for whom I sound sorry in return (5)
26 Hasted—there's a smash—result, fatalities (6)
27 Satisfies with vegetables among those that are almost human (8)

DOWN

1 Bounder holds man up on the edge of the New Forest (6)
2, 3 Music while you walk? (9, 7)
4 Presents the man who proposes with a snub, literally? (5, 2, 3, 4)
6 Bell or brick (7)
7 German town in a profitless enterprise (5)
8 Sticky doctor with the girls (8)
9 Canter? Not quite fit for the big race (5, 2, 1, 6)
15 Important brief second to us, when people interrupt (9)
16 Rendered bill well tied up (8)
18 Form of shingle typical of our shores (7)
19 How Cremona appears in a tale (7)
20 Changes against a sign of the Zodiac (6)
22 It's an advantage for this girl to stand on her head (5)



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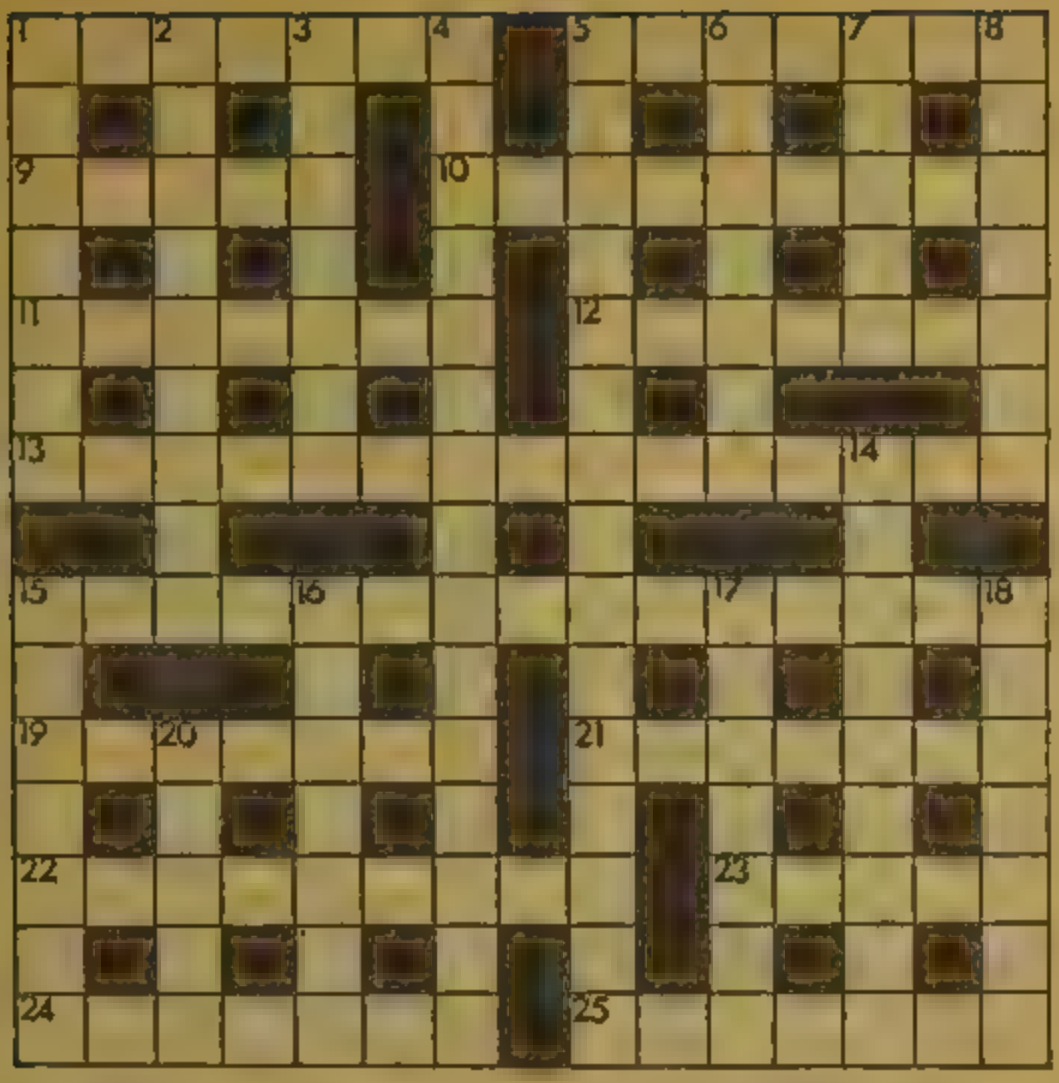
1 To produce economic activity this river would need three points (5)
4 To assert and babble about an incomplete proclamation (9)
9 Scottish player means some money to a Welshman (5)
10 Two lots of men in a delirium tremens, favoured by the Opposition (9)
11 How bad summer weather goes for the farmer (7, 3, 5)
12 I marry outside it, not to be original (7)
13 Just a second to find a buyer for the last of the ale and wine (7)
16 Nobody, by the sound of it, joins poet in secluded life (7)
18 Old foreign coins to apply for: circulate some more (7)
19 Father with tattered garment on —nothing crookedly furtive—he's perfect (7, 2, 6)
21 Soulful, the song of the dark (9)
22 Unfinished fashion leader in it is stupid (5)
23 The stools are broken, after universal extraction (9)
24 Rustic learner after bondage (5)

1 What politicians seek to remedy, being full of gas (9)
2 What said politicians want, in more senses than one? (9)
3 To accompany, after joining the same orchestra? (6, 5, 4)
4 Talk too much, making piano shake noisily (7)
5 The night before a deception in Worcestershire (7)
6 I bit it—hes dying, terribly upset —because of this? (15)
7 A ring in vulgar enamel (5)
8 Flogged, beheaded, like cannibal's victim (5)
14 This finishes the hand and the conjuror's show (4, 5)
15 Wriggly eel—crazy—pure and simple (9)
17 Rent due—completely broke—here's the plate (7)
18 Organised gambles that broke the law in fiction (7)
19 It's so uppish in back seats to make an assumption (5)
20 Plenty of cash, being very thick-skinned (5)



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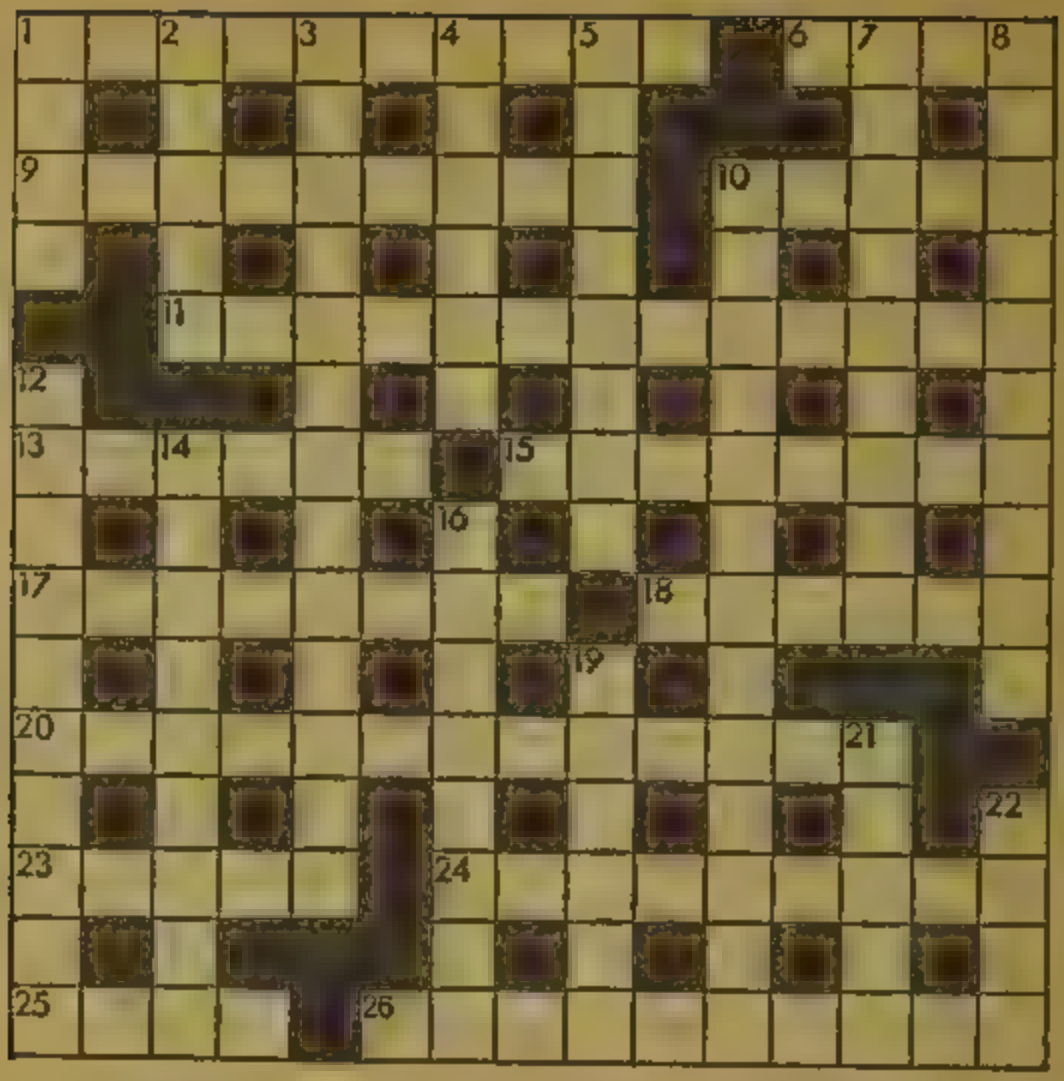
1 Less rubicund doctor in Sicily (7)
5 Fishermen's haunt is an alternative to the devil (4, 3)
9 A spinster's all wrong (5)
10 Try to win over an eccentric, e.g. a knave (5, 4)
11 Like a fierce beast, with a fastening round the smile (7)
12 Drunken dog? (7)
13 Co-operation, between orchestra and singers? (9, 6)
15 Look and find out in two words, consider an absolute snip in three (6, 2, 7)
19 Examination after a nasty attack —likely to survive (7)
21 These results are one's property (7)
22 Association to provide for a rainy day—or curse the big stick? (5, 4)
23 Curious form of bream, yellow in colour (5)
24 Representatives tucked in among the joints (7)
25 Fish that buries itself, but can be made to see land (4-3)

DOWN

1 Able to be shaped to remain among almost the best (7)
2 False Shakespearean joiner, comfortably placed (5, 4)
3 A lull with regard to malice (7)
4 Broken-down carthorse with stables; they offer a good view (9, 6)
5 This gives you a choice between two travellers' stories (6-6, 3)
6 Fever—begin with ice, but not all of it (7)
7 A nasty accident on the tennis-court? (5)
8 This dog is also smoother (7)
14 Car is smashed bile disordered —tempersome (9)
15 Option to buy or not is genuine, including endless to-do (7)
16 Choose again, some of the film, etc., being out of order (7)
17 Hold off—this is the chorus (7)
18 A snorter, appearing in a soprano's trilling (7)
20 Archer's sound, or a nasal one (5)



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1 Reverts to the primitive and repulses the foe (6, 4)
6 Halt, feeling slack (4)
9 Aunt and I sail disastrously in ill-fated ship (9)
10 Heron, for instance, one of a fisherman's pair (5)
11 Lock's quality is tested by this, making the sphere break? (7, 6)
13 To fret about a tree (6)
15 Taken in custody, being underdeveloped (8)
17 Sticking too expensive things on, and showing irritation? (8)
18 Inventor showing the reverse of no conceit (6)
20 Pollution will produce no taint on mica (13)
23 Leg-wear fitted to a T: try the ones over there (5)
24 Leg-wear—only one of a pair for an old dotard (9)
25 A fashionable roué may have to scrape (4)
26 What's the announcer doing to us? An advertisement—sauce (10)

DOWN

1 To become inclined for a duel (4)
2 Steer crooked, and make a fresh adjustment (5)
3 Teetotal health resort? (8, 5)
4 Gangster puts fetter on it (6)
5 Dishes on which warriors rode (8)
7 Shows a spitfire in western or eastern islands (9)
8 Leading one to expect wine before the finish (10)
10 Pure sailors? Yet they flit from flower to flower (5, 8)
12 Plaintiff uses direct language, curtailed, with an alternative (10)
14 Perhaps she won't get kissed in the kitchen—a trifle beyond her? (5, 4)
16 Dazzling the oncoming driver, but not in deep waters (8)
19 A miserable tip for the beater (6)
21 I am on, if you'll give me time to change, says she (5)
22 Stump, or catch, perhaps (4)

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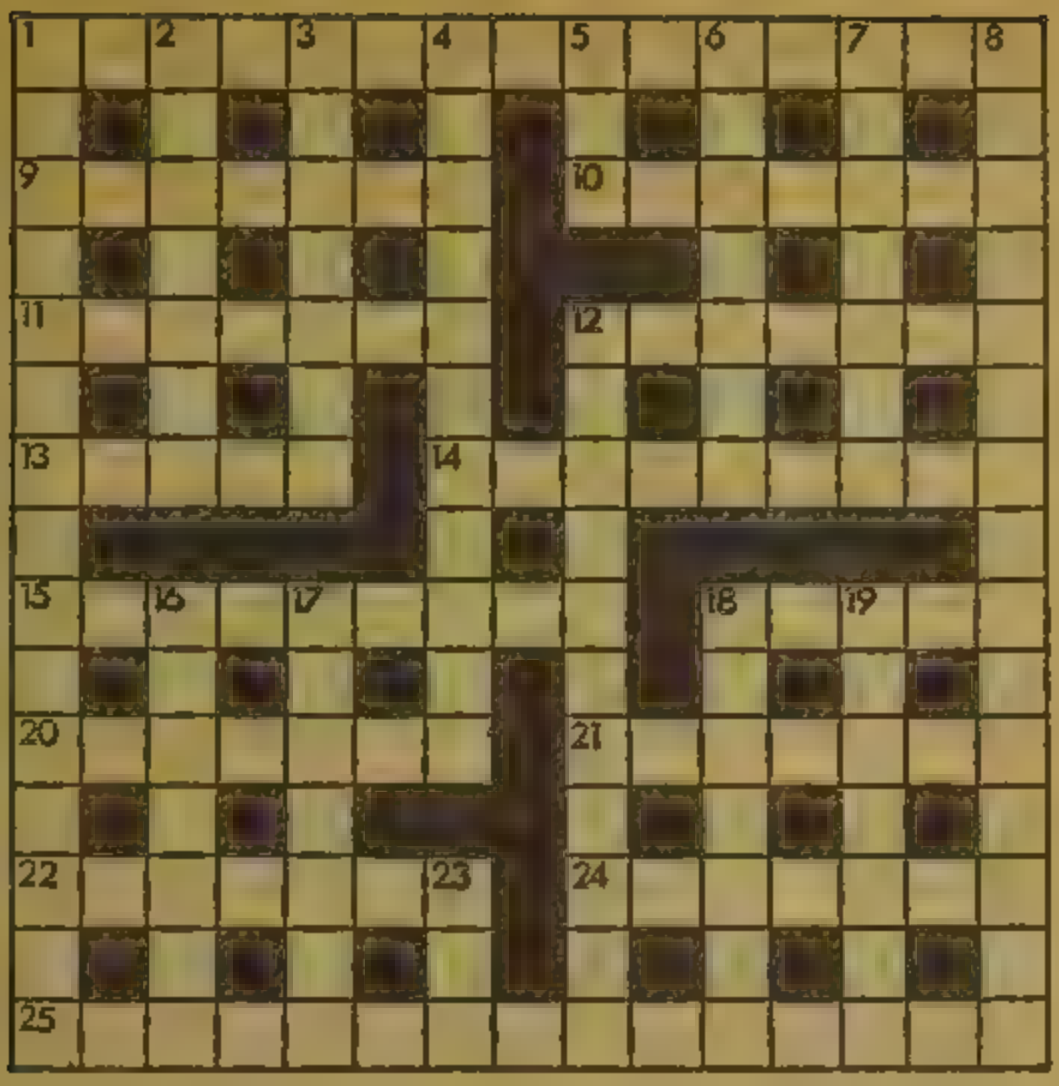
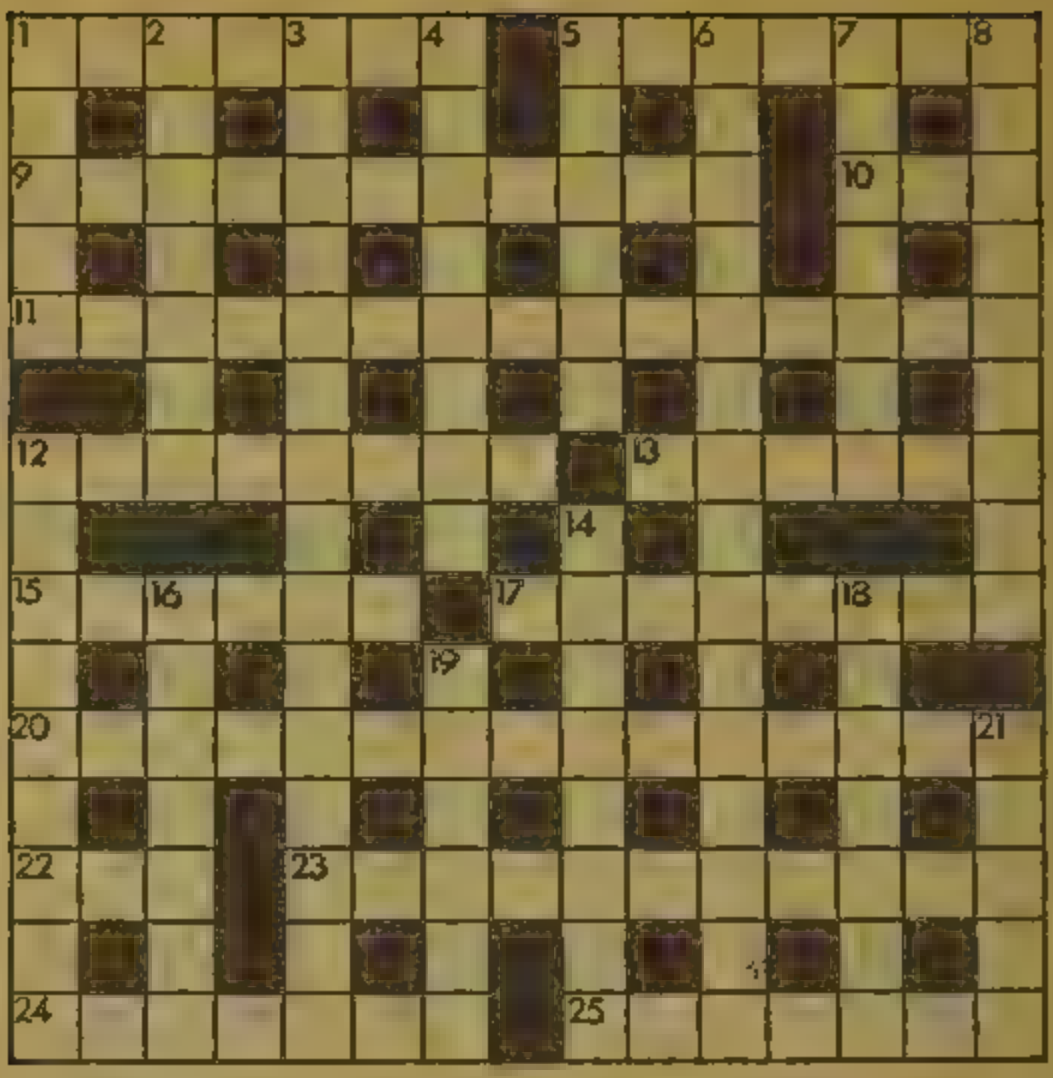


ACROSS

1 Big surprise—don't let the young athlete catch you (4, 4, 3, 4)
9 Two testaments, one with the beginning missing, cause malice (3-4)
10 Very good boy, but a quitter at heart—inconsistent (7)
11 A series of bars jarring the nerves (7)
12 Learn with a company to make sure (7)
13 Pelts, and seeks to avoid detection (5)
14 A young lady's garments fit French writer to a T (9)
15 My grinding job is only temporary (4-5)
18 A bit of chronic acting—they're often prickly (5)
20 Measures of ploughland, and herds of cattle to plough them? (7)
21 Rugs drawn back in a display of endurance (7)
22 Heirs go astray: it's monstrous (7)
24 Chap depicted in a variety of oils is a Turk (7)
25 I've had a swim and taken my cure: now I'm ready for breakfast (8, 7)

DOWN

1 How to make lazy schoolboys study? (5, 4, 2, 4)
2 Follower of Wycliffe, round in the fifties with fat (7)
3 Charming girls, that is, in carnivals (7)
4 These duties may amount to boiling oats (11)
5 Bond, signifying equality (3)
6 Small jobs that darners find upsetting (7)
7 Convulsions in delayed network (7)
8 Using a bull, perhaps, in a punitive way (15)
12 Insect that causes corrupt habits (7, 4)
16 Where they stand behind your back to catch you out (3, 4)
17 Life-annuity scheme, sound about money (7)
18 Coach who eats too much (7)
19 I can hit all over the place—it's the wine (7)
23 Tool that Drake dreams of all the time (3)

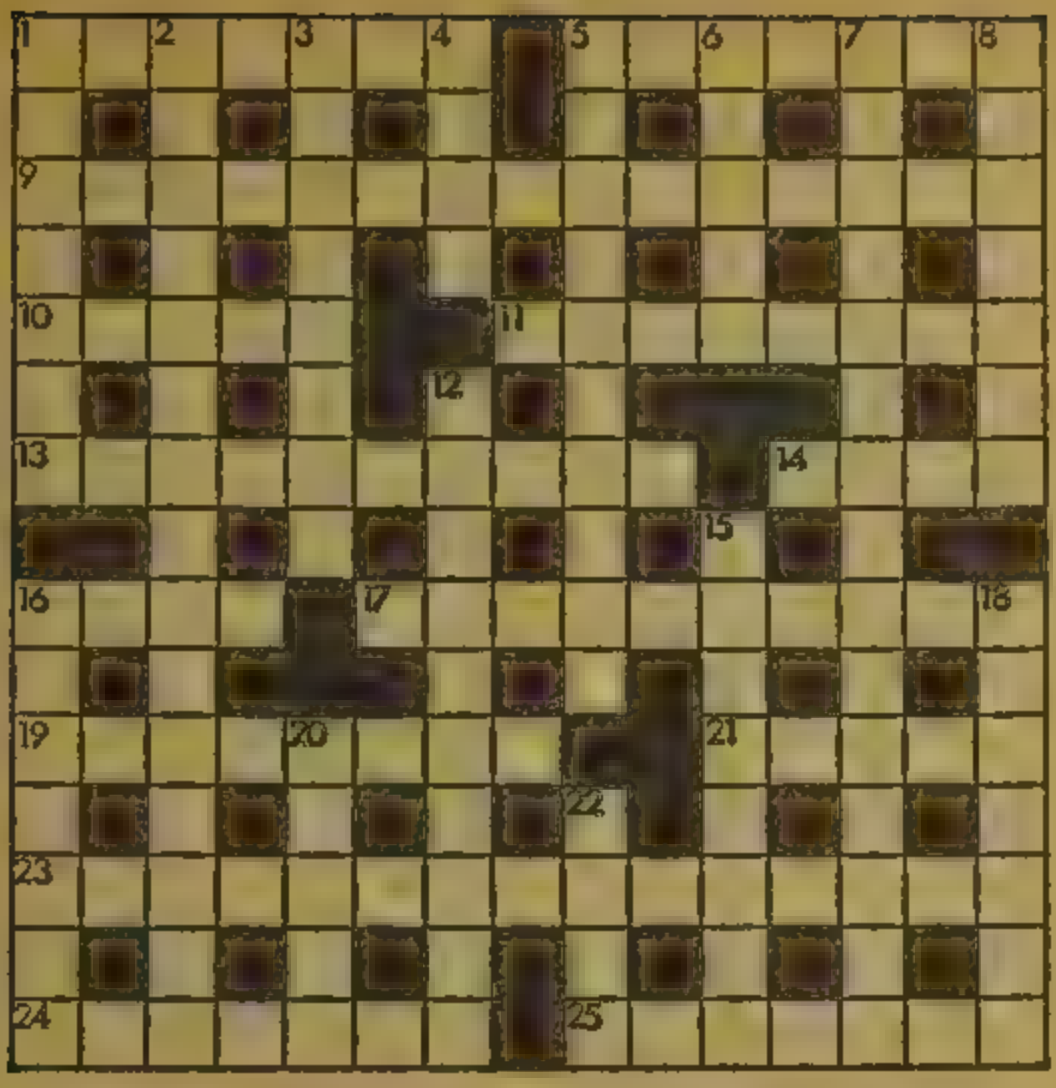


ACROSS

1 Exercises in irregular metre—he's very attractive (7)
5 Collects guns round her (7)
9 Very hot modern dance? May be of volcanic origin (7, 4)
10 One of five little pigs that lives in a shoe (3)
11 Crushed superiority? No one has it in the Cup Final (6, 9)
12 Put a stop to passion and compromise (8)
13 Famous lady advocate, upsetting to pair (6)
15 Insult of little importance (6)
17 Chemical salt enables pastoral lady to take in a deserter (8)
20 What you get to when you play the goat to excess? (3, 2, 4, 6)
22 What a caddy carries (3)
23 Big scale reproduction of R.E. gentleman (11)
24 A real peach, that player at the net (7)
25 Puts up with what's very loud in litigants (7)

DOWN

1 An affair that produces a disturbed night (5)
2 Vegetable that brings a chap riches (7)
3 Pest that results from rose-pruning? (5, 2, 3, 5)
4 The body politic's in the red—not mentioned for the first time (8)
5 There's nothing in the wood—just a rut (6)
6 Assuming, and playing a solitary game? (6, 2, 7)
7 Competitor in an event ran terribly (7)
8 Donoghue on a horse—'e's under it—about 40 miles from Newmarket (9)
12 Encloses, in case, barren country in a wild ness (9)
14 Daily woman, very French, in a cathedral town (8)
16 American state at home with a goddess (7)
18 Runner allowed in stormy heat (7)
19 Prison that's not so hot (6)
21 Finds fault with a burden on the tax-payer (5)



ACROSS

1 Towards the centre where patients are treated (7)
5 A little devil with regard to laying paint on thick (7)
9 Three bad doctors greet maker of nought (5, 5, 5)
10 Consumed in the cave at Endor (5)
11 Let trees rearranged get a fresh hold (8)
13 Musical character, French key to chance of a fortune from pools? (6, 4)
14 Finishes that go with the odds (4)
16 Politician: his this is a thing of the past (4)
17 Port and riches dissipated in the parson's office (10)
19 Story shows a flirt, lacking in finish, become sloppy (8)
21 A hundred goes into nought for the time being (5)
23 Assemblies in which all the pupils are enormous? (7, 2, 6)
24 Conquers turbulent streams (7)
25 Painter seems distracted when ancient king appears (7)

DOWN

1 Searching: you can't help at it if it's on you (7)
2 What dominant wives do. (Jean might be a good name for them) (4, 3, 8)
3 The sort in a wild reel to make things warm up again (8)
4 Avoid the sort of noise the sergeant makes (4)
5 You'll get a French sweet in the pub up the street—gradual advances (10)
6 Game left unfinished has produced annoyance (5)
7 Original titles needed for old cars (8, 7)
8 Napoleon's marshal in fortifications, losing head, in northerly islands (7)
12 It is scents they make—in more senses than one (10)
15 Allowance on meat in Lincolnshire (8)
16 Part of the wainscot ran somewhat over the door (7)
18 Dense crowds produce news (7)
20 Urged on a lot of cattle (5)
22 A passenger cut short in the distance (4)

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ACROSS

1 Loud instruments—for those with large ears? (3, 5)
5 Thickening of the skin—give us a ring (6)
9 Rowing coach? Tight (suitably placed at this number) (3, 4, 3, 5)
11 Metallic element that entertains by its variety (9)
12 Something in a rowing-boat—or thomething at the bottom of the thea (5)
13 Piano finish still undecided (7)
14 Lighter fall from a horse, perhaps (5)
17 Someone always ready to be kind in a strange locality (5)
18 Take a partner—a strange pose to employ (7)
21 Elevated story of ancient Athens (5)
23 Food met in turn for a change (9)
24 Portraying what artist saw, with ice prisms in it so distorted (15)
25 Make certain disapproval doesn't get a start (6)
26 Things used in laboratories take time in tears (8)

DOWN

1 What fifers do may poison the victim (8)
2 Change of leader at Russian H.Q. may have vexed R.A.F. (7)
3 Get meat in a troubled reign, giving the game away (9)
4 Epithalamium? Wives treasure them (8, 5)
6 A small department that is expert (5)
7 Move the wood along, like a mutual aid society (3-4)
8 Sort of dog who composes crosswords? (6)
10 Pudding served up in private hospitals? There's nowhere to touch it (4, 5, 4)
15 Little devil wants a run out of doors—this is spoiling (9)
16 Vegetables chopped up in tarnished steel (8)
17 Herod—not the one who liked a Parisian dance, apparently (7)
19 Part of tune at entertainment that hasn't gone down (7)
20 A bag is in a dell (6)
22 Make a net profit—that's obvious (5)

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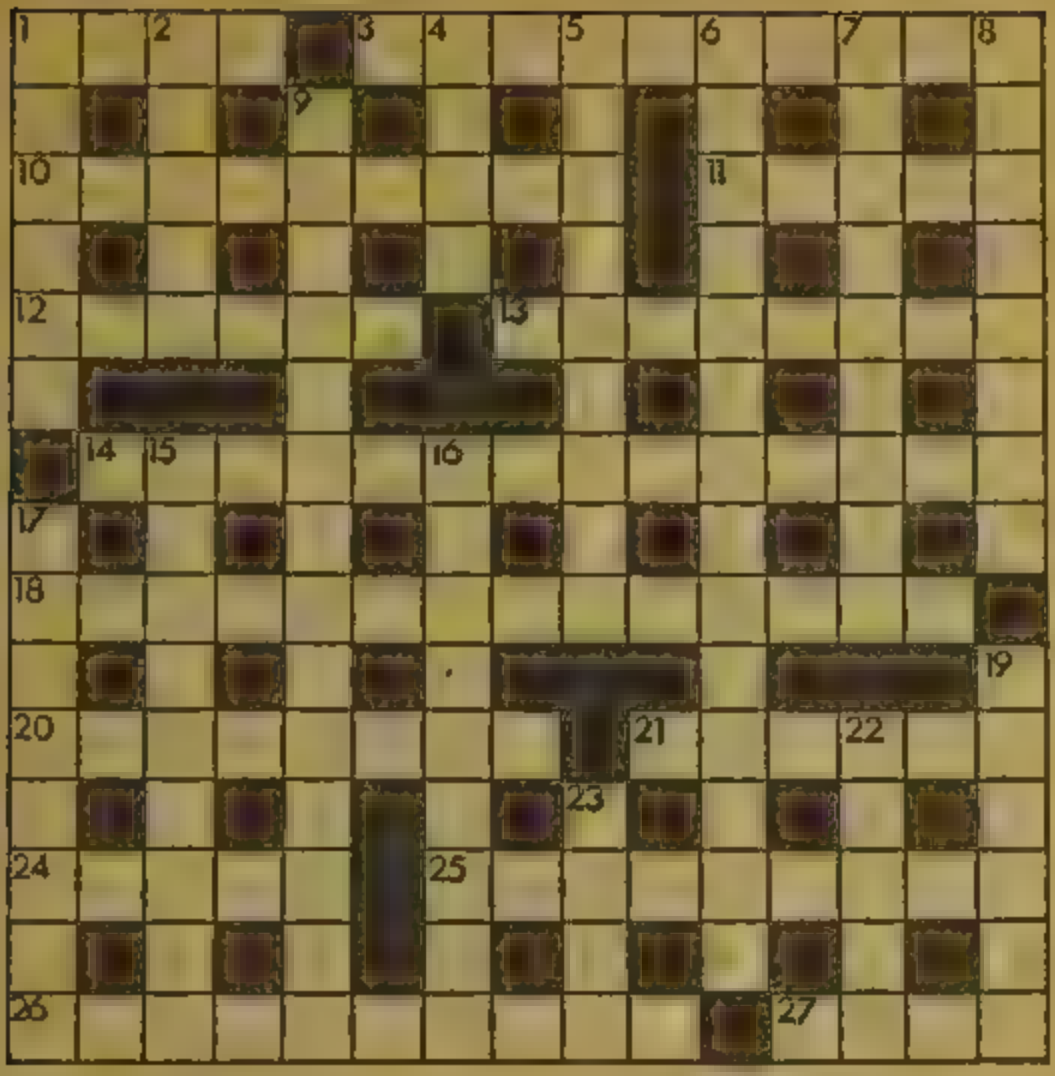

ACROSS

1 I have to carry luggage: it's sheer torture (4)
3 Elizabethan statesman, having a dance with 'em, by the sound of it (10)
10 The reservoir to trick people to a T (9)
11 A thousand in the end for an oriental language (5)
12 Allow advice as to unattractive straight hair? (6)
13 There's peculiar talk about mail going wrong: he wants his rights (8)
14 Ruined him in preparing his bird? (6, 3, 5)
18 Like a horse that's getting a bit past it (4, 2, 3, 5)
20 Not a good Duke to dine with (8)
21 The bar has become something vital to one's existence (6)
24 A lot of drinks, making all the difference to one's being (5)
25 She insists on her rights—used to be on the stage? (9)
26 Outcome of experiment? It's sometimes known in less than five days (4, 6)
27 Much ado in prison (4)

DOWN

1 What cook uses, ready for use, about middle of neck (6)
2 Provide meals—an intruder in salad? Don't give it support (5)
4 State what is normal without mentioning age (4)
5 Something in orbit? Reveal it in a rough sea (9)
6, 7 What the boarder has on the first Sunday of term? Poorish (7, 2, 5, 4, 5)
8 Driver involved in rut and mêlée (8)
9 What socks do, when treated frightfully at the laundry? (6, 4, 4)
15 Unguents made of dates with mashed pap removed (9)
16 Animal that fishes in climbing sleigh for silly birds (9)
17 Get Coleridge's sacred river to help: here are the letters (8)
19 Cooling drink for Grand National runner? (6)
22 Ward off great victory, showing skill about it (5)
23 Beetle on the way to the Palace (4)

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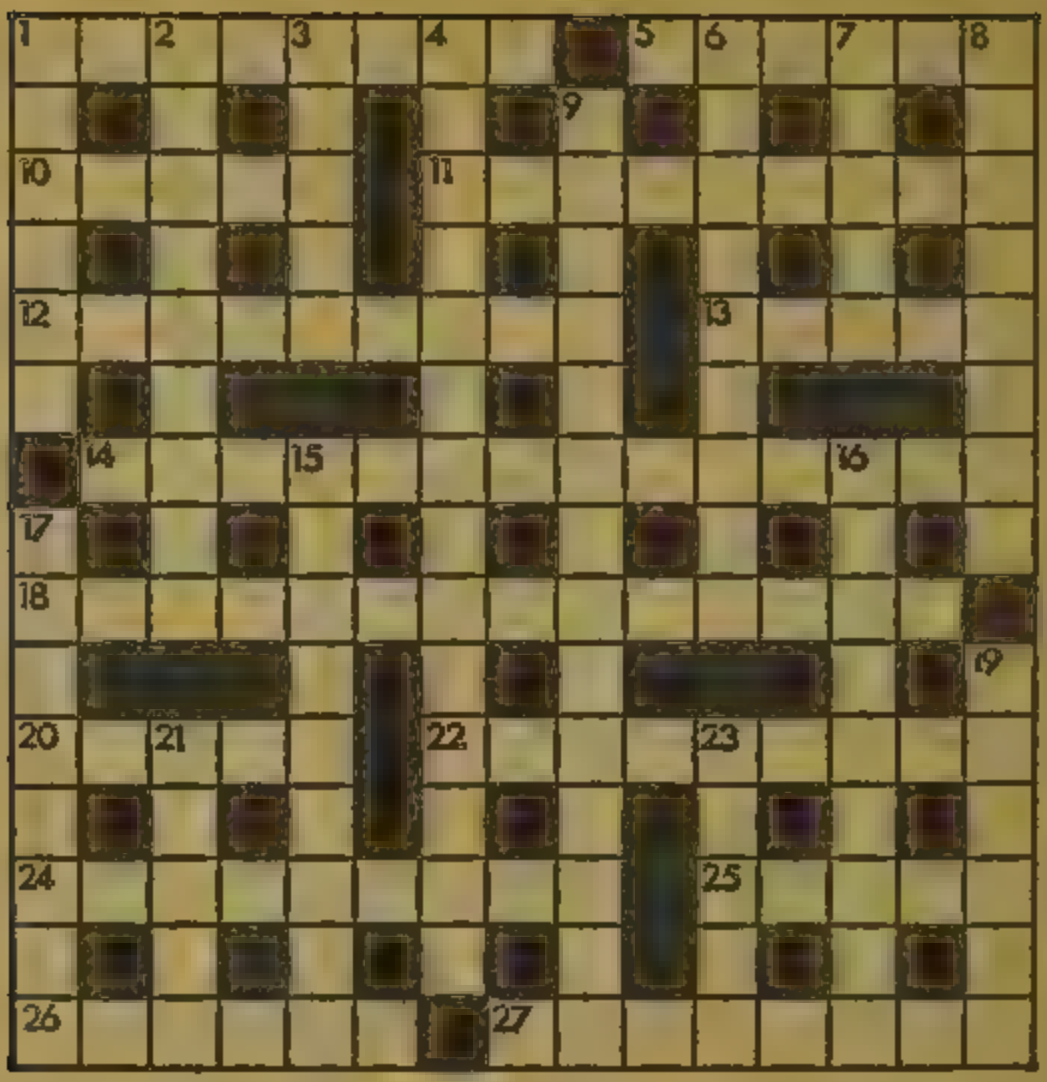

DOWN

1 Something in trousers that the bookies enjoy (4-2)
2 Nothing like your best clothes for use when climbing? (5, 4)
3 Well-developed chicken in a sandwich? (5)
4 Become crazy, as drivers do when the road's not straight (2, 5, 3, 4)
6 Gas ran out—disastrous: let's have some bitters (9)
7 Duns expelled from Scottish castle—fatuous (5)
8 He lives for pleasure, but gets this done somehow (8)
9 How did the player with top honours in a red suit call? Without stint (5-9)
15 There's nothing, nothing French, over the Gallery to fix the relative position (9)
16 Things are left to these women: see shires get het up (9)
17 Assigned, like a small sleeping place overlapping a larger one (8)
19 More than one high principle is observed about wood (6)
21 What church attendants do is the edge (5)
23 It's a bit more apparent in a complex tradition (5)

ACROSS

1 Get a lute mended, being well looked after (8)
5 Helen's head nestling against her lover—the vicar will see to that (6)
10 Wet: keep at home in something warm (5)
11 The last soldiers to bring up a shield (9)
12 Like a prominent jaw or a tough pheasant? (9)
13 The last part is very severe (5)
14 To support hot thugs in a mêlée may prove best (6, 8)
18 Honest, like a forger's equipment? (8, 2, 1, 3)
20 Bird that makes a coward lose his head (5)
22 Heel-taps of beer, to which plodders go on? (6, 3)
24 What happened when customers were very thirsty? Argued about price (9)
25 Girl 'as a hair-do backwards (5)
26 Intensify a river enclosure (6)
27 How do conjurors make things disappear? They ease traffic congestion (8)

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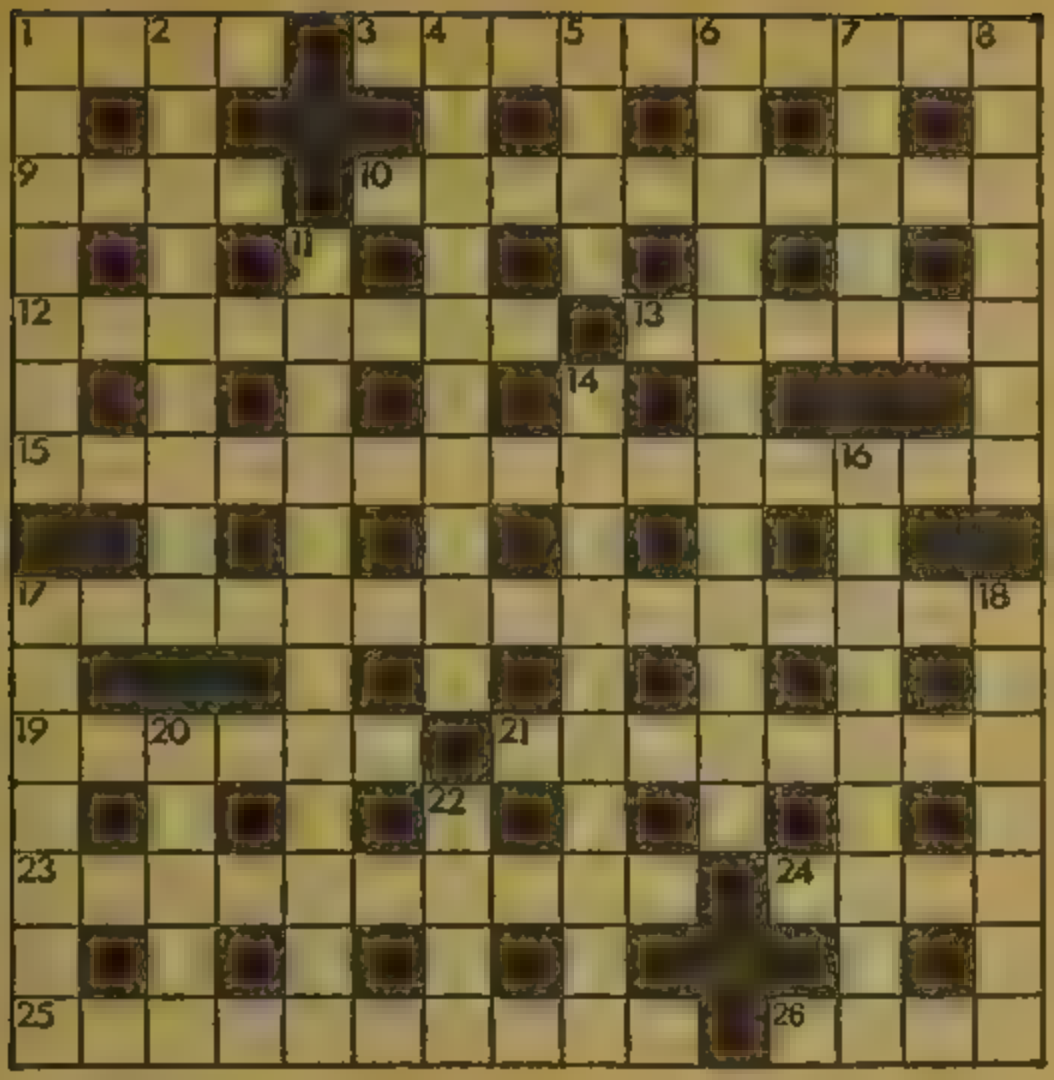

ACROSS

1 Springs returning: note the vital juices (4)
3 Police officials wearing glasses round a hill on Dartmoor (10)
9 Emergency that distressed Eden (4)
10 Memorial –the most solemn one, evidently (10)
12 Court novice is resting in warm clothes (8)
13 Youngster's embracing her, a chubby child (6)
15 Conservatively designed garment? They do it at the parade (5, 2, 3, 5)
17 Had a game of solo? (6, 1, 4, 4)
19 Was upset by the bandage (6)
21 Fir-cones adapted to suit a court of law (8)
23 A merciful release for you, by the sound of it, as compared with the origin of 'flu? (10)
24 A nice sum to win, with less than fourteen hands (4)
25 Yorkshireman, perhaps: you'll find none in trouble with the three Rs (10)
26 The chief part is very heavy (4)

DOWN

1 After a lapse 'e gets married, being tough (7)
2 Only women, apparently, in a mixed heap, but they're well worth looking at (9)
4 A skilled gardener, and he should be all right with the children (10)
5 Get from the shop a vermicide to prepare the path (4)
6 Tough as a Brazil nut or a callous judge? (4-8)
7 Take action in our repute (5)
8 Sweet drink arranged with something like mint in it (7)
11 The rough on a golf course after infuriating experiences, frequented by witches? (7, 5)
14 Tool he tied roughly is a surveying instrument (10)
16 Bag that's happy to carry a weight (9)
17 Here's Father, pretty grim in the part of a horse (7)
18 Shy in actual fact, yet used allurements (7)
20 Flower that is more firmly fixed with the top off (5)
22 Lots of amusements here—and you know what blondes are (4)

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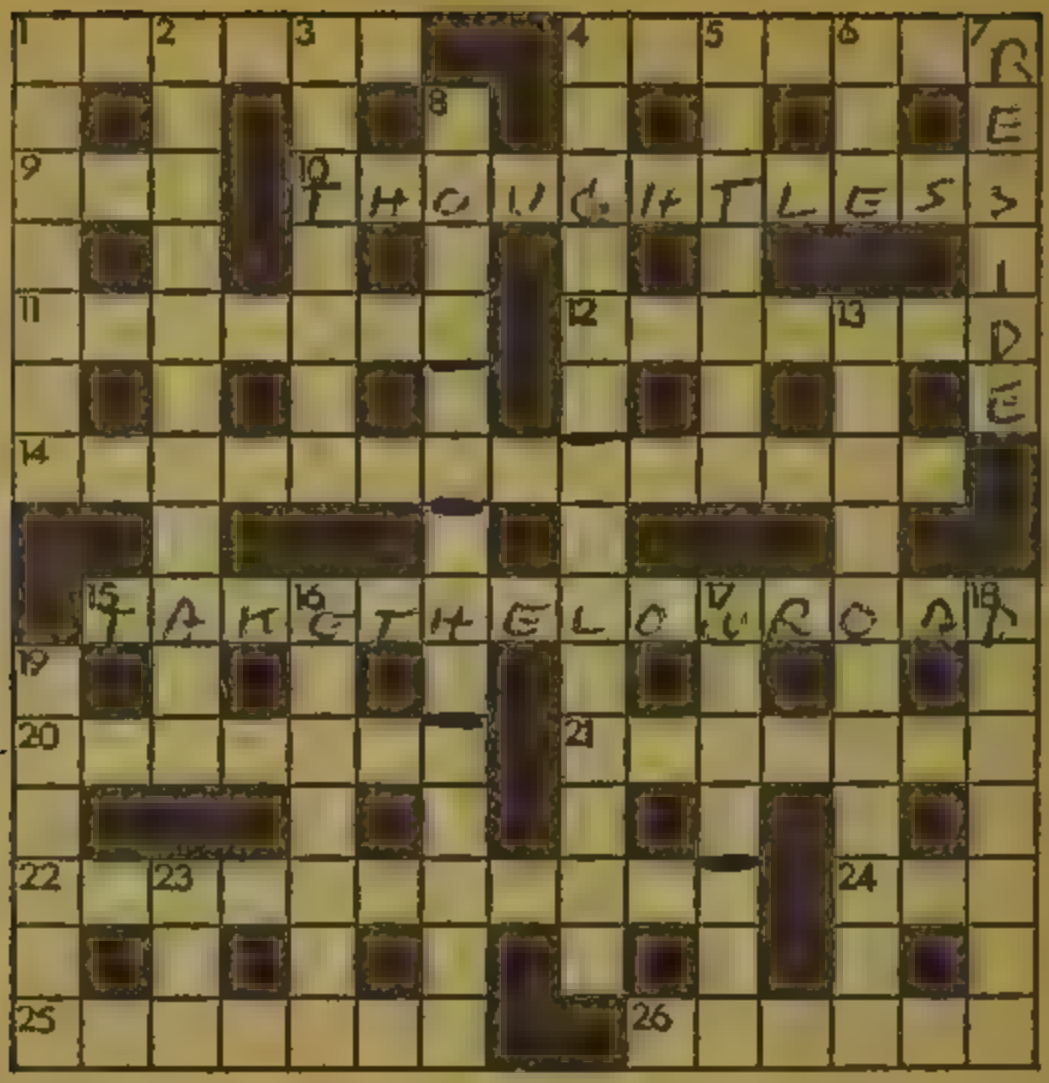

ACROSS

1 Itinerant vendor makes five hundred pounds in fruit (6)
4 She and I, very vulgarly, go for a stroll (7)
9 Pull back part of the inside (3)
10 Leg thus shot—badly injured—very inconsiderate (11)
11 Heave forward a skilled theatre performer (7)
12 At home a short drink I had is rather tasteless (7)
14 Acting as a dentist, or a determined No. 7 batsman? (8, 3, 3)
15 What to do if you want to get to Scotland first? (4, 3, 3, 4)
20 Had a discussion and paid for the drinks (7)
21 Attacks where pedestrians are in danger (7)
22 They're out of date, and play roulette, perhaps (4, 7)
24 Passion, a cause of heat with the lid off (3)
25 In a great hurry, straight from the squeezer (7)
26 Young bird that sounds like a seal (6)

DOWN

1 Margaret, like you and me, was a remarkable horse (7)
2 To hinder before I make a speech, and get steadily worse (11)
3 Article on a very poor fish in Belgium (7)
4 Urge—Mill gave it disastrously for this Victorian heroine (6, 8)
5 This talented performer might become a sitter (7)
6 Hazard, and come to a sad end (3)
7 To live in the future's ideal (6)
8 Depressed, as seen at the feather depot? (4, 2, 3, 5)
13 Professional business is enough to make one furious (11)
16 10 10 10 without limits should lead to an understanding (7)
17 Feeling lazy? Run a side-show at a fair (4-3)
18 Fruit, sent up with hairs (7)
19 Steady source of tips? (6)
23 Head-dress that may cause an explosion (3)

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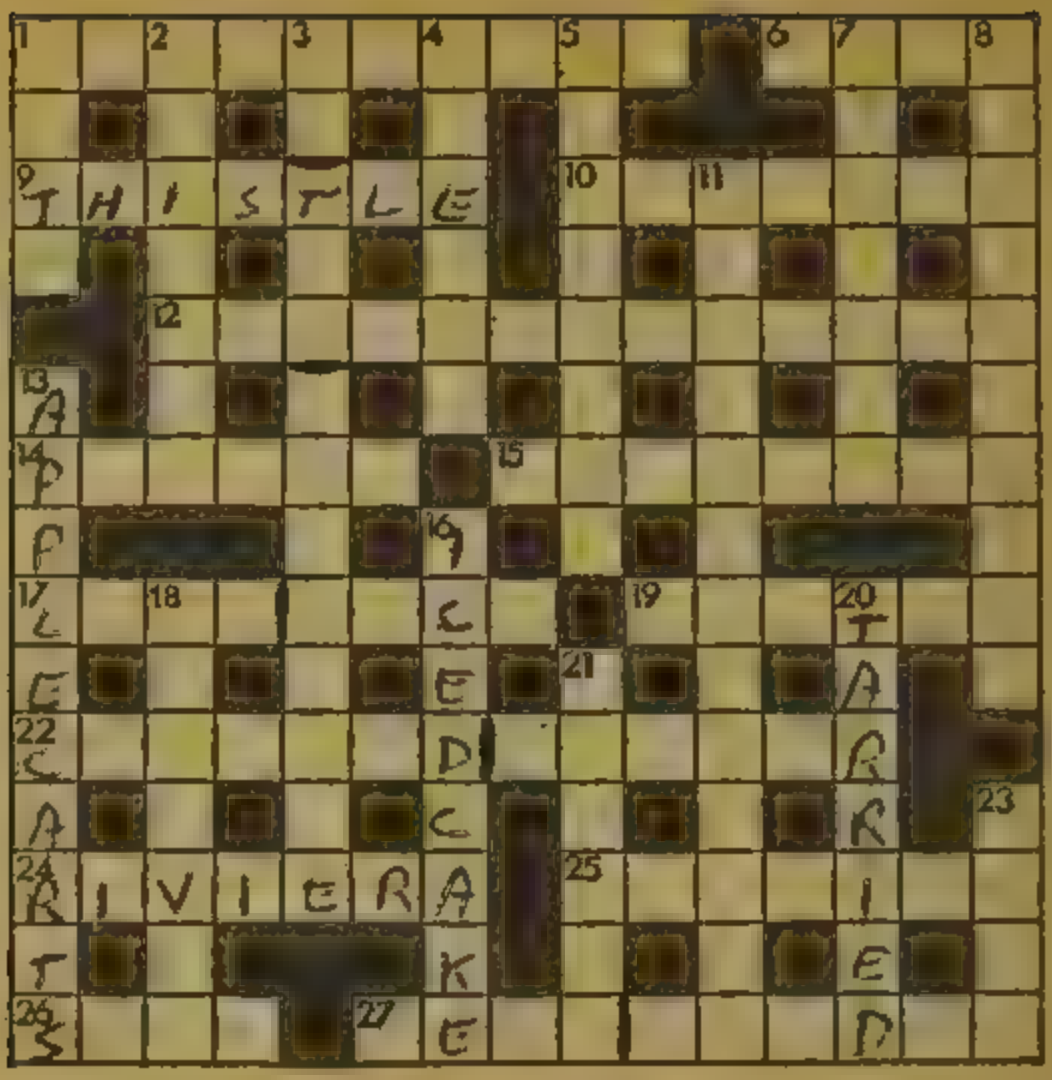
ACROSS

1 Urgent message: taxi needs support and hard shove (9)
6 Name of high mountain that wobbles with mange (5)
9 Matthew's occupation—normal acknowledgement? (7, 2, 6)
10 One of those expenses for which the sky's the limit? (8)
11 Confidently deceives high banks (6)
13 Space for Othello to return? (4)
14 A chartered accountant falsely claimed being scholarly (10)
16 Potentially dry soldier, after too many drinks? (10)
17 Hand over a free ticket (4)
19 Rather vague, losing head, suffering from fever (6)
20 Pointed back round a tangled net in acute mania (8)
23 Raging, devoured a cape, showing lack of restraint (15)
24 X, continuing, fits into socket (5)
25 Thames ruffled—in the drink: here's a boat (9)

DOWN

1 Starter should make this burden (5)
2 Flower for the coat of every single man (9, 6)
3 Prophet in novel is hard-hearted (6)
4 Vermin exterminator, considered non-U in hunting circles (3-7)
5 This'll keep your hands warm, butter-fingers (4)
6 Pull beam to pieces outside a Police Station (4, 4)
7 Plates, left in water overnight, will be used at breakfast (10, 5)
8 River I fish for ladies' underwear (9)
12 To flatter, including half the butter, is to spoil (10)
13 Bureaucrat who might give the dept. a stir (3-6)
15 The new student is a cheeky chap (8)
18 Engineers think to recover by payment (6)
21 A rising attitude in teller of stories with a moral (5)
22 River from which people drive off (4)



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1 Windswept market? It keeps a horse's head down (10)
6 One married and also struck with fear (4)
9 Weed, translated from the Lettish (7)
10 They're waxy and wicked (7)
12 What sprinter after a record seeks to do—very early in the day (9, 4)
14 A conference—uttered by a Welsh [illegible]gi? (6)
15 Gladys loses her head with the joint—hence the title (8)
17 Halting love? Needs a helping hand (4, 4)
19 Goat, perhaps, is fat (6)
22 Sucked up—a very hot rosette? (7, 6)
24 Nice here, you'll find, though there's a rival in backward atmosphere (7)
25 The Irishman to cause trouble—he's anti-foreigners (7)
26 Marine animal that's often waxy (4)
27 Bar enraged wildly—scene of disorder (4-6)

DOWN

1 The comrade to put an end to a game (4)
2 Artist in part of the East End is very colourful (7)
3 Where a dark man reveals a hidden motive (2, 3, 8)
4 Traditional contestants in tug-of-war (6)
5 To have no time, alas! (8)
7 Humble rising prey for angler, very hungry (7)
8 Health troubles—they go to the wall (10)
11 Something for another to stir? I don't appreciate this (3, 2, 3, 2, 3)
13 Parcels apt to go astray: they have fruit in them (5-5)
16 K. and I accede: after some adjustment, it should be ready by Christmas (4, 4)
18 Doctor and gunners going by way of a part of Central Europe (7)
20 Sailor, released around the East, still didn't hurry (7)
21 Cause embarrassment to a picnic case (6)
23 To electrify makes one the reverse of crazy (4)

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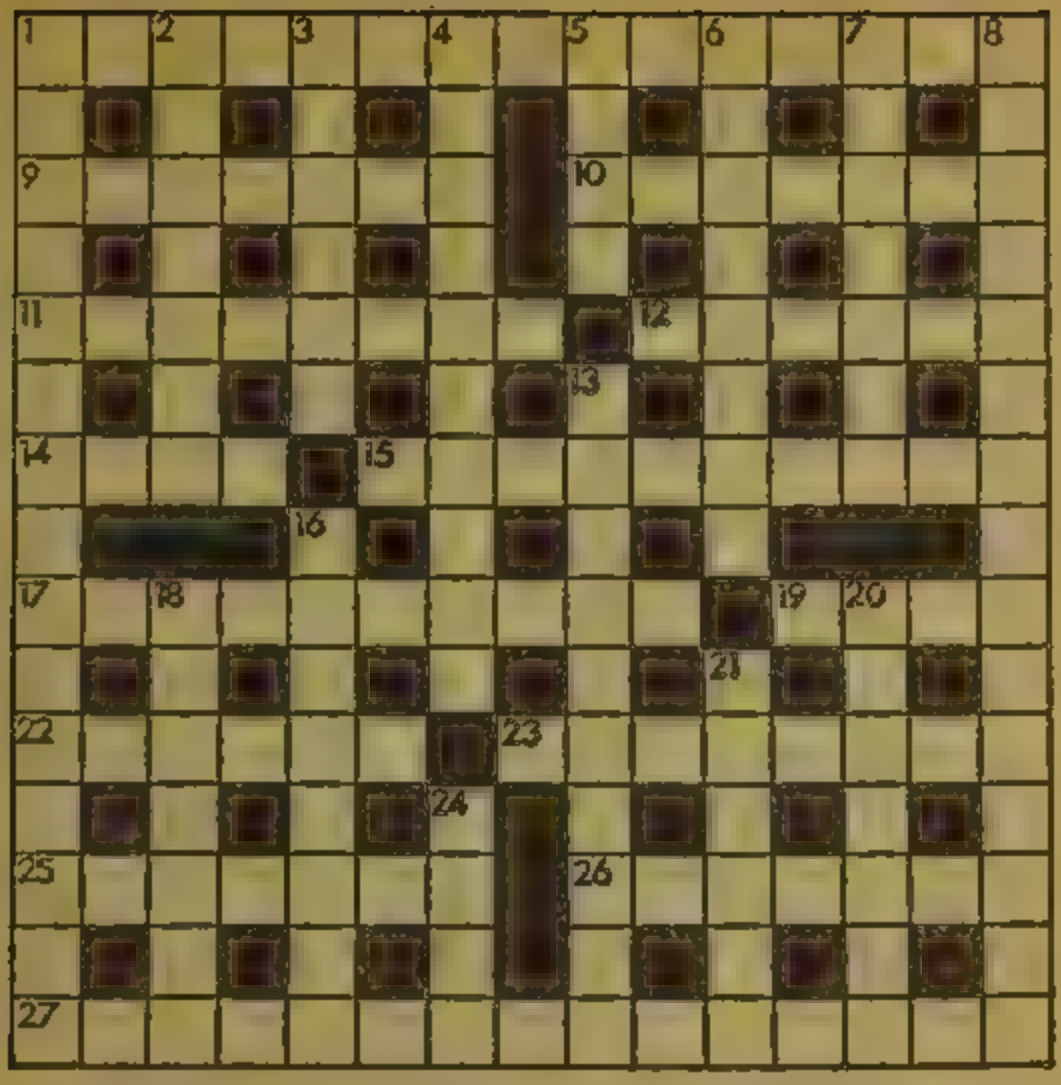

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1 Very own supporters, affording outlets to those in agony? (8, 7)
9 Give a politician a holiday to make a fresh impression (7)
10 Reversed edge as well as a Shakespearean heroine (7)
11 C.-in-C. to R.A. upset by sleeping draught (8)
12 Fish getting round the struggle he shirks if he can (6)
14 Don't expose the skin (4)
15 Irish girl makes U.N.O. men rave (10)
17 Chief lover up aloft at sea (3-7)
19 Dismal and rather shocking (4)
22 Poison for a low fellow many years back (6)
23 Pompous speech was current in Dutch town (8)
25 Pull a fish back into shelter (7)
26 Gold coin, bent, round, current in Venezuela (7)
27 Assurance that a business letter is honest? (5, 10)

DOWN

1 Ma or Pa, warmed in New York, all in cold, in brackets (15)
2 Withered in small bit of ground, yet in the pink (4-3)
3 Speaker contributing to a moratorium (6)
4 Fruit curtailed—I send urgent message, appropriate (10)
5 Something full of sweetness, for use on the hair (4)
6 There's fat all round the pig, and old port (8)
7 Commission for a chap with an appointment (7)
8 To fuss about forms might be a moron's tendency (5, 2, 8)
13 Indirect device for coping with traffic (10)
16 Honest methods aimed at by drivers (8)
18 Upstart achieves equality with a deity, almost (7)
20 Record roster to provide mutual aid in politics (3-4)
21 List of prices causes quarrel about rising artist (6)
24 This plan is almost perfect (4)

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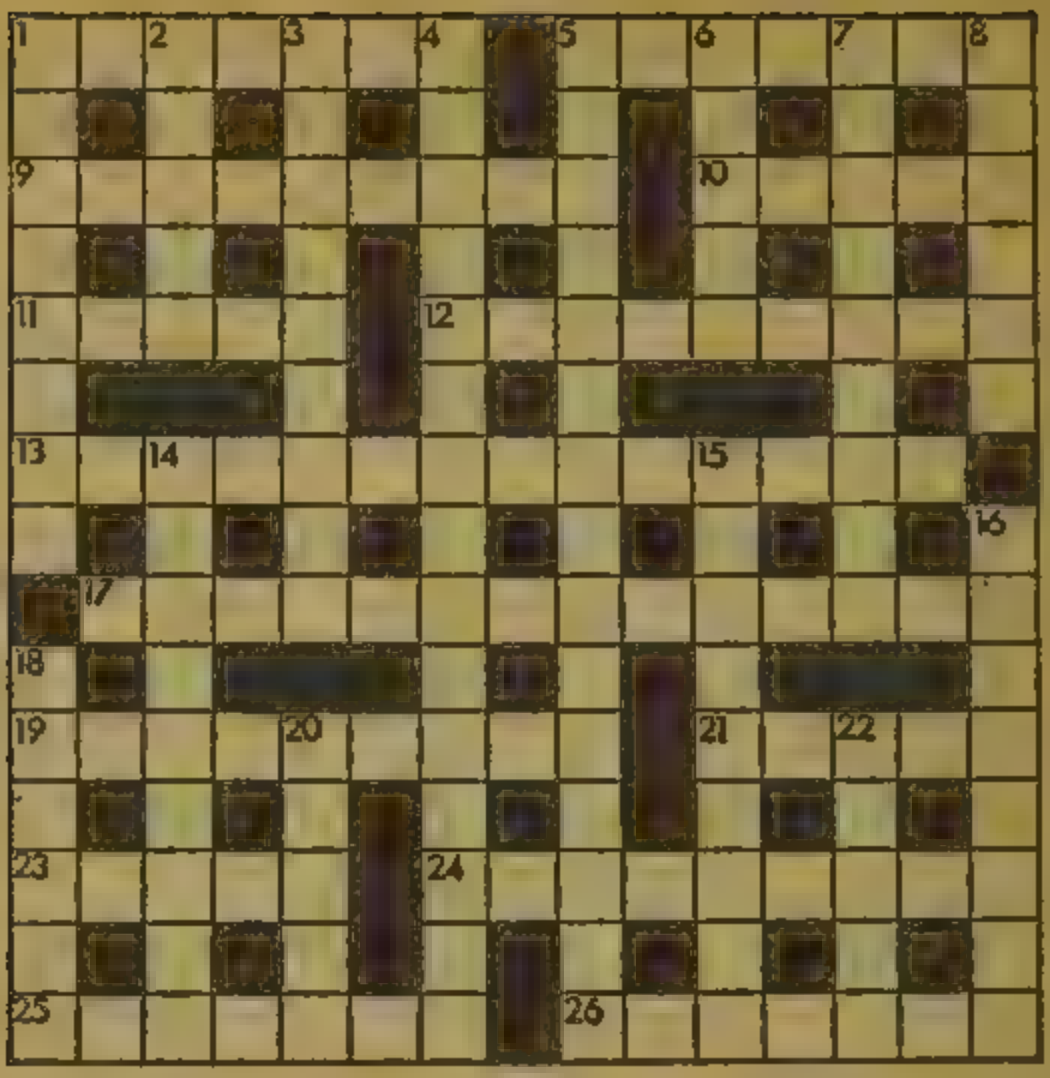

ACROSS

1 Rambling song—once charmed Ulysses (7)
5 Learner in curve of the road is to climb slowly (7)
9 Licensed pirate is confidential before the Queen (9)
10 At home acquired a mass of gold (5)
11 Horseman presents an exercise in deduction (5)
12 Wounded in leg, then: give treatment with rays? (9)
13 A matey sort of word, like pride or school (4, 2, 8)
17 But pants are not its only contents (5, 2, 7)
19 Daily comes before 4 with an unusual air: the London one is weekly (9)
21 Country batting with return of reinforcements (5)
23 Faced nearly everybody: it's hard (5)
24 One's reflection ——, when looked at: it's a clarifier (9)
25 I am of lofty origin. Variably yrs., Knob (3-4)
26 Lobster-quadrille expert in an angry 'phone-call (7)

DOWN

1 Point and circle skipping about (8)
2 Scotsman of property—but the shillings of his money melt away into air (5)
3 Afterthought about secular space for nurseries (4-5)
4 Too much fuss about details concerning parcel coming up with a lot of talk (15)
5 This may put you in the police court—or the rough (8, 7)
6 Imitating a sound of a bullet (5)
7 Indoor game of trifling importance (9)
8 Sailor puts a scrap of cloth round a can (6)
14 The Hun lay writhing in a seedy condition (9)
15 Purposely stingy—one at a time with the top off (9)
16 Murderer is a fool, because wrong (8)
18 Doesn't work thoroughly—they're rascals (6)
20 Dig loosely—get a snow-hut out of it (5)
22 End that may well be hated (5)

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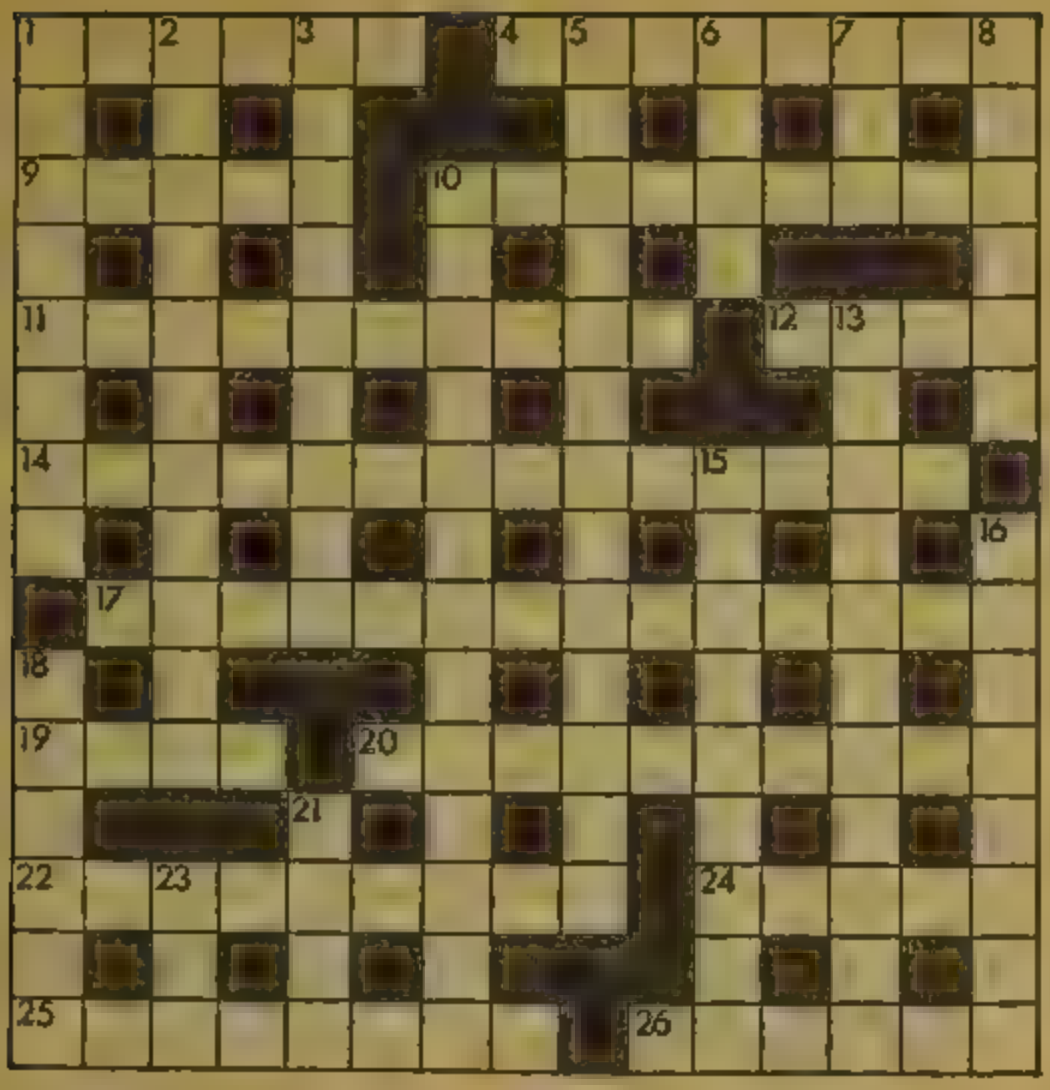
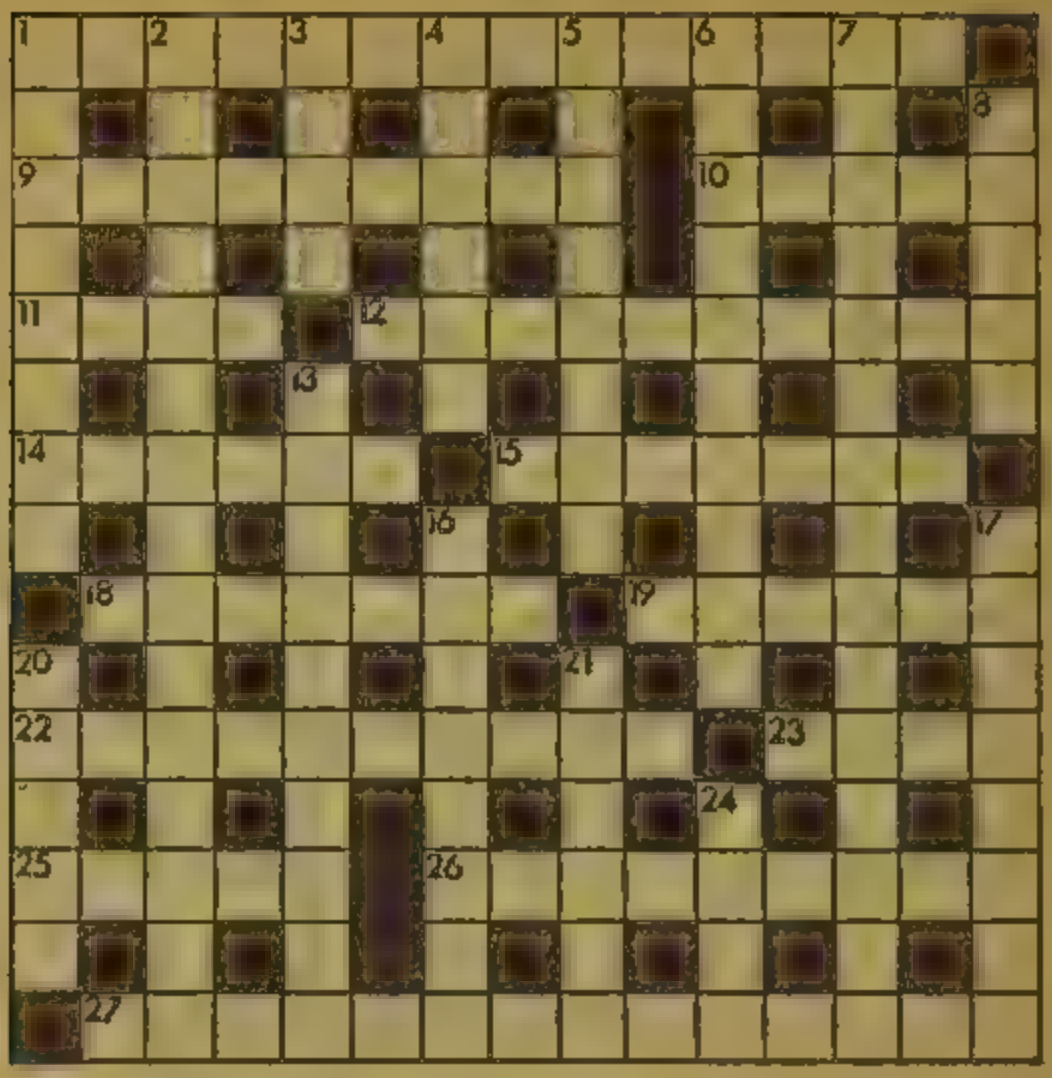


ACROSS

1 Masses of fog, making a big noise in the Civil Service (6)
4 Two-course meal—or twin dog—in China (4-4)
9 Luck is with us: it may make one forget (5)
10 Telling fortunes—prize is three points (9)
11 Unfathomable, and without foundation (10)
12 O.T. measure stored in deep hamper (4)
14 Isolated in the home of the naked rider (4, 2, 8)
17 Shop's display of sauce? (6, 8)
19 Knowledgeable herb (4)
20 I trail misguidedly in fog, spoiling for a fight (10)
22 Robot reveals aunt endlessly swallowing fruit (9)
24 The sucker to indulge in corrupt practices (5)
25 Failed in exam—went in for agriculture (8)
26 Vehicle always poetically making progress (6)

DOWN

1 Sort of pipe in a scientist's room surrounded with coins (8)
2 Frightfully good and not paid yet (11)
3 That's odd—rest it—twisted, twisted (9)
5 Obsolete coin—William or Mary? (4-9)
6 Something of no importance and almost colourless (4)
7 Stroke that is a tremendous success (3)
8 Route set to intercept someone (6)
10 Arresting instrument of copper (6, 7)
13 Take a share—a share here in France with a crown (11)
15 Go in last much put out with one, longing to be home (9)
16 Revolutionary has it in a gun with an alternative (8)
18 Crapes torn—that's a bit steep (6)
21 Sticks upwards, looking complacent (4)
23 Excessively shortened instrument (3)



ACROSS

1 Spas, mouths before good dinner, or eyes in gale? (8, 6)
9 A ruler in warm, troubled, surroundings, fighting (6, 3)
10 To propel a boat sounds as if it needed brains (5)
11 A bit of a stunnin' evenin', or one over the eight (4)
12 But perhaps she's a Mayfair one, after voice training (2, 4, 4)
14 Settled fury in a lampoon (6)
15 Water found? Good shot (4, 3)
18 Chief method used for making progress (7)
19, 22 Where 12 across is led to expect wet weather abroad (6, 2, 3, 5)
23 A slog—that means plenty of tricks (4)
25 Play: let's have a drink before one (5)
26 Given too much of a good thing: result might be ever so odd (9)
27 Cowardly circumstances of Englishmen's appearance with sufferers from rabies (2, 3, 6, 3)

DOWN

1 Main show goes wrong—it's effeminate (8)
2 Attractive, the music, when getting ready for a tug (6, 3, 6)
3 Row that's very luxuriant (4)
4 Only just north, near Penzance (6)
5 One who has a share, or who plays perfect golf? (8)
6 Our cricket rival gets a fifty—hugged by European (10)
7 Try a diet out in class, varied: here are some school authorities (15)
8 Skins loudly played songs (5)
13 Where you can ride, not the aisle at a wedding (6, 4)
16 There's to be a dance here: take the sweeper round everything (4-4)
17 This is a conscientious servant, or my mind's disordered (8)
20 Nervous, tortuous and loquacious (5)
21 Where to find balm: make American soldier go first (6)
24 One almost unable to hear a plan (4)

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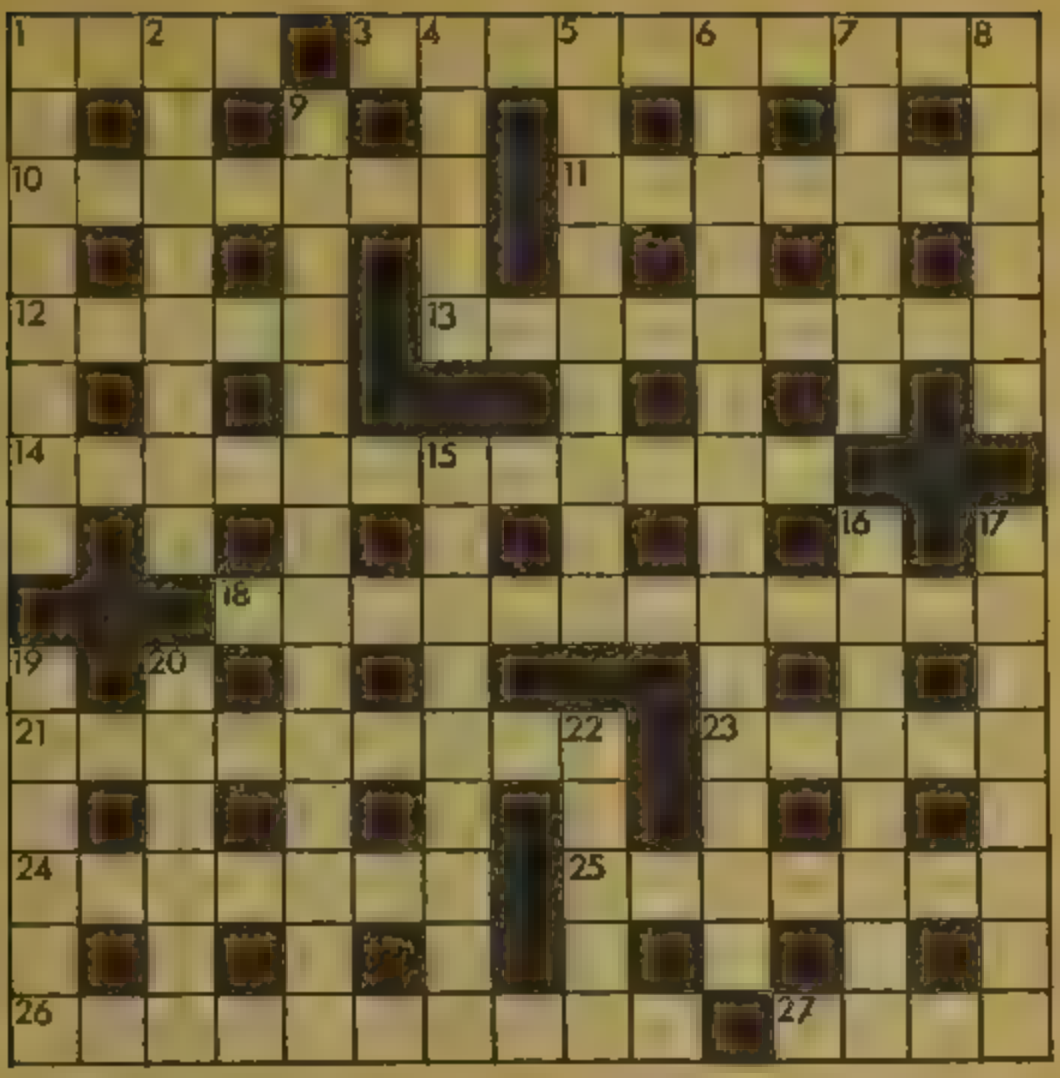

ACROSS

1 Bring up what lags behind (4)
3 Noisy bird almost to reverberate in a nasty look (7-3)
10 It's genuine, with cash in it, though pertaining to something visionary (7)
11 What the conjuror says before North Lancashire town (7)
12 Diet, quite high class, in African language (5)
13 After stir, after stir, is A 1 (5-4)
14, 18 Willing natures? They're all that's left (12, 12)
21 Had an accident, and dripped blood about below (9)
23 Drink for detectives with a show of hesitation (5)
24 Speech in progress about proportion (7)
25 It's too good to be true, getting a pin out somehow (7)
26 Handsome person should be able to find what's lost (4, 6)
27 Disease—eastern—that has an important effect on smokers (4)

DOWN

1 Unusual portions of toasted cheese (8)
2 To produce a surprise result, like the Villa? (8)
4 Successor of Mohammed reveals one in leather (5)
5 Great river, what?, rising within, with various speeds (9)
6 A warm pad in front, to prevent burglars getting at the valuables? (5, 9)
7 A bit of a gadabout, randy—was too fast for some (6)
8 Wait—that is missing from undies (6)
9 Breathing exercise? It makes a row in the street (9, 5)
15 Language which may be translated into neat prose (9)
16 Benevolence, as shown in wise 14 18? (8)
17 Alienate grantees, who are very upset (8)
19 The old boy to yearn for the Oval? (6)
20 Cause friction at nothing, with distorted rhythm (6)
22 This pair is the very devil (5)

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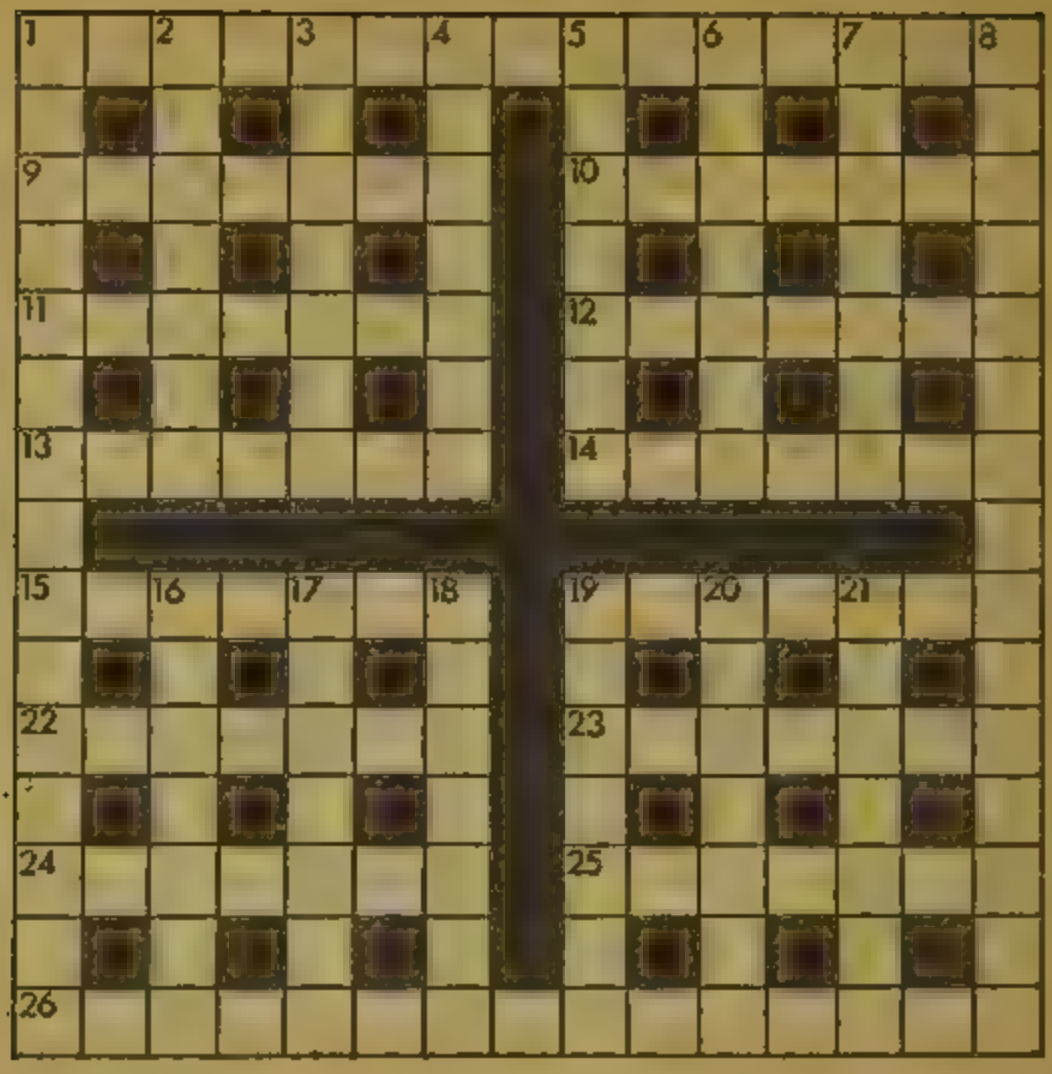

ACROSS

1 Never mind, I did it, for a change: it'll cheer shareholders for the time being 7, 8)
9 This detachment is habitually drunk (7)
10 Constables take steamer to get control (7)
11 In the course of the harvest I germinate: here's a small indication (7)
12 Unique English King gets the bird after a dance (7)
13 Penny irritates in depressions (7)
14 Part of U.S.S.R. is first-rate, not South East quite the reverse (7)
15 Sought to change the outlook of despair (7)
19 Surroundings that show a decline (7)
22 Foolishness in one large town that lacks a leader (7)
23 In retrograde old age see breathing power shrink (7)
24 For that reason you'll find a menace about the East (7)
25 A piece of Bach, perhaps, rendered vocally amid semi-cheers (7)
26 Something stimulating at the bar to make you forget pain? (7-8)

DOWN

1 Unco-operative person is almost a blood-sucker (15)
2 Bird sped south within in what might be migration (7)
3 Arch, suitable for a sinister gallery? (7)
4 Affairs showing that rupees are dull? (7)
5 It's a deadlock, and I am no longer at my best (7)
6 Have a look at an investment in specially treated tin (7)
7 Butler's ideal state, before West gets honourable (7)
8 Gentlemen, I stand, somehow, for liberation (15)
16 Something like a table: a French dish with water (7)
17 The object in opening is something to wear (7)
18 Is its rising as tardy as it might be? (7)
19 A short drink, including one for the road (7)
20 Excursion leading to oil trouble in Libya (7)
21 Fashionable goddess in American State (7)

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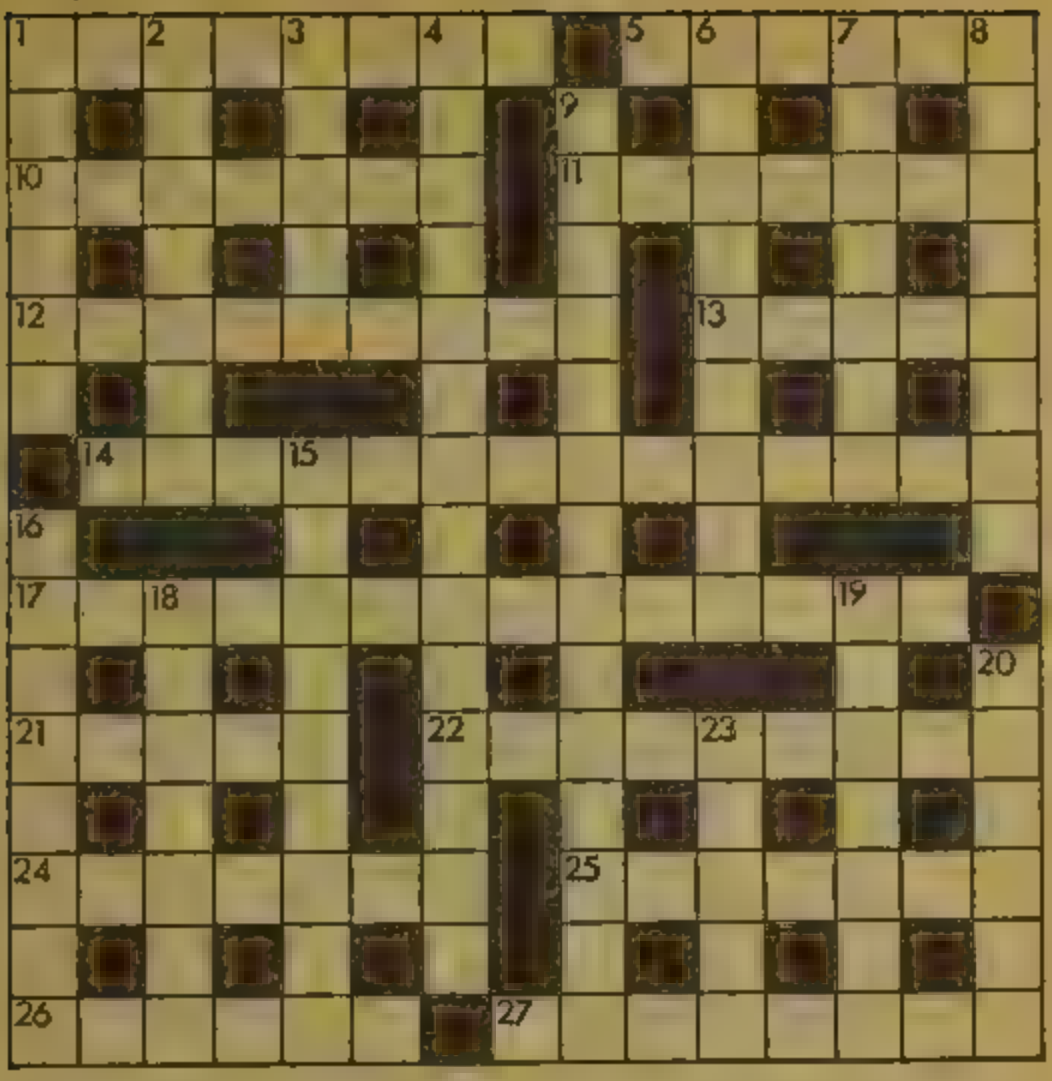

ACROSS

1 Not quite ready to shoot a bi or a rd? (4-4)
5 Varsity man is far from able able seaman (6)
10 It keeps the hair tidy, and is included by a dandy (7)
11 He makes America questionably purer and should be evicted (7)
12 A very fine leg-bye? See the evening paper (4, 5)
13 Morning friction returns in the Far East (5)
14 Being foolish about beginning of chat, I disparage one who lives in the far west (6, 8)
17 D, I, R, E, C or T will enable you to get cash (6, 2, 6)
21 Roman responsible for rent: fall of French missing (5)
22 Take off—with a very curious thing inside—like a bathing costume (4-5)
24 Cold leg in castle which held famous prisoner (7)
25 I am a very nice girl to have up (7)
26 Cast that sounds like Royalty (6)
27 Senior lawyers—front and back ones are M.P.s (8)

DOWN

1 Limp sort of out of date skirt (6)
2 Involved in a cult that's quite crazy (7)
3 A bit of mediocre perishing fabric (5)
4 Rustics in town land a Socialist (7, 7)
6 Foreshadow a price—speechless inside (9)
7 To become gradually thinner—bureaucrats, for the use of (7)
8 Lawyers get a despicable creature on railway—fraudulent practice (8)
9 Kindly act of self-denial? Druids practised it (5, 9)
15 Willingly to permit to remain idle (3, 6)
16 Dark, spiteful woman, supposed to be lucky (5, 3)
18 It's more delicious when a sitter is muffed (7)
19 Thankless version of Geraint (7)
20 The 'indrances is very irritating (6)
23 The subject to select? Not quite (5)

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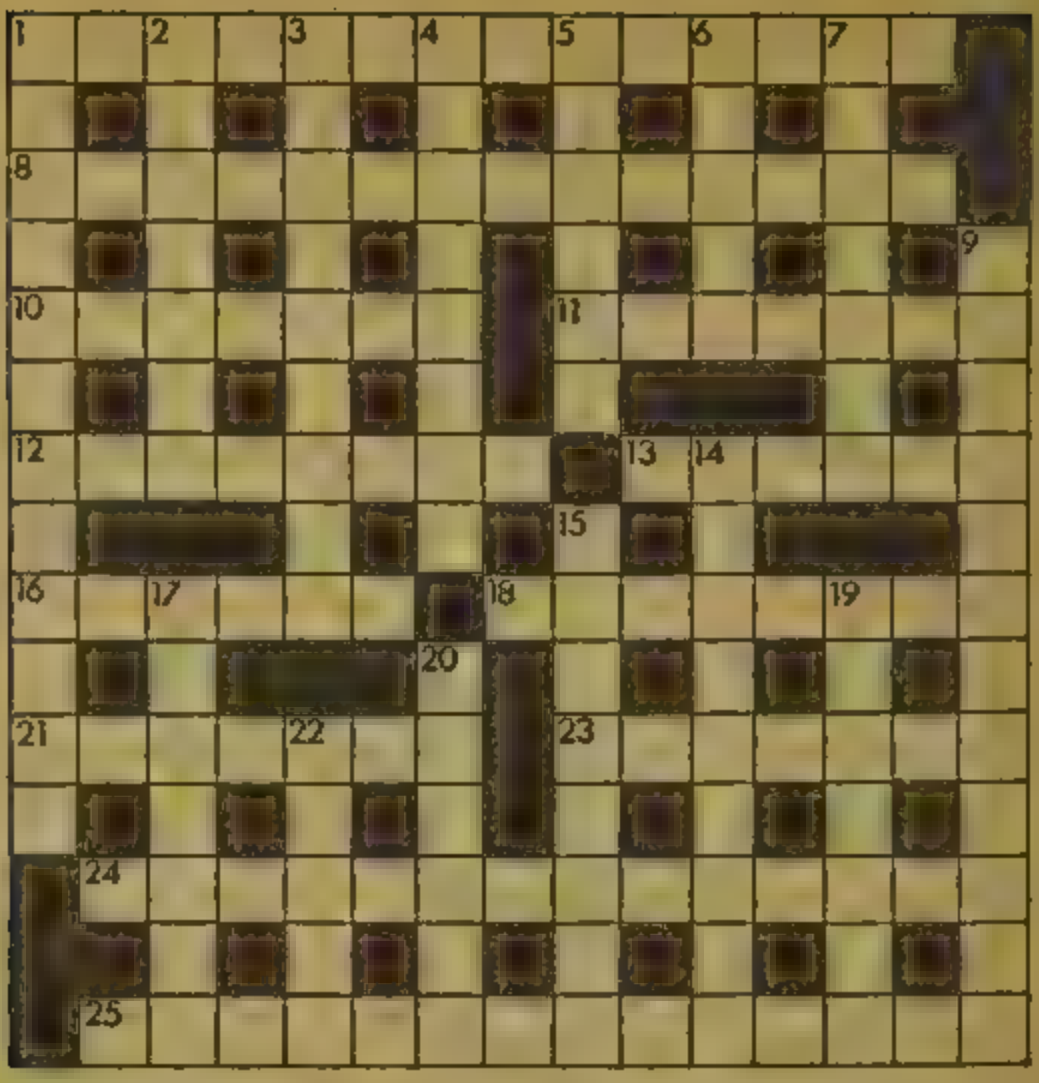

ACROSS

1 In an other-worldly way upsets partner usually (14)
8 Other-worldly order? Upsets partner usually (7, 7)
10 These series of matches lead to a wash-out (7)
11 Poem about ruined suit is beyond the limit (7)
12 Like a parson I, in Bray, changeable: here's a service-book (8)
13 Comic hats, Mother—it takes your breath away (6)
16 To be lazy, showing thrust about nothing (6)
18 Entirely upper class circle—very attractive (8)
21 Swell overlaps with remunerations —they're very sweet (7)
23 Girl in *Princess Ida* who might be aimless (7)
24 Under them "England was ruled by an Orange" (7, 3, 4)
25 Warm woolly—dead man's defence against the fifteen? (5, 9)

DOWN

1 Spear broken with competence—quality not possessed by [redacted] twins (12)
2 Within the limit a rising crown of victory is due (7)
3 Renovating socks, or getting the ball back again? (9)
4 They make charges, with the beak ready for action, no doubt (8)
5 The beginning of a song in harmony contains no harmonies at all (6)
6 This might reveal a bit of fraud, I think (5)
7 Beginner describing former film star is fairly diffuse (7)
9 Stick for the solicitor in Malaya? (6, 6)
14 This apportions the thick or the clear (4, 5)
15 Graphite is a cause of pain under piano (8)
17 If a hunt is upset, there's disloyalty (7)
19 This tick is very urgent (7)
20 Steep slope—scrape after an accident (6)
22 Chap who first picked up a football is below measure (5)

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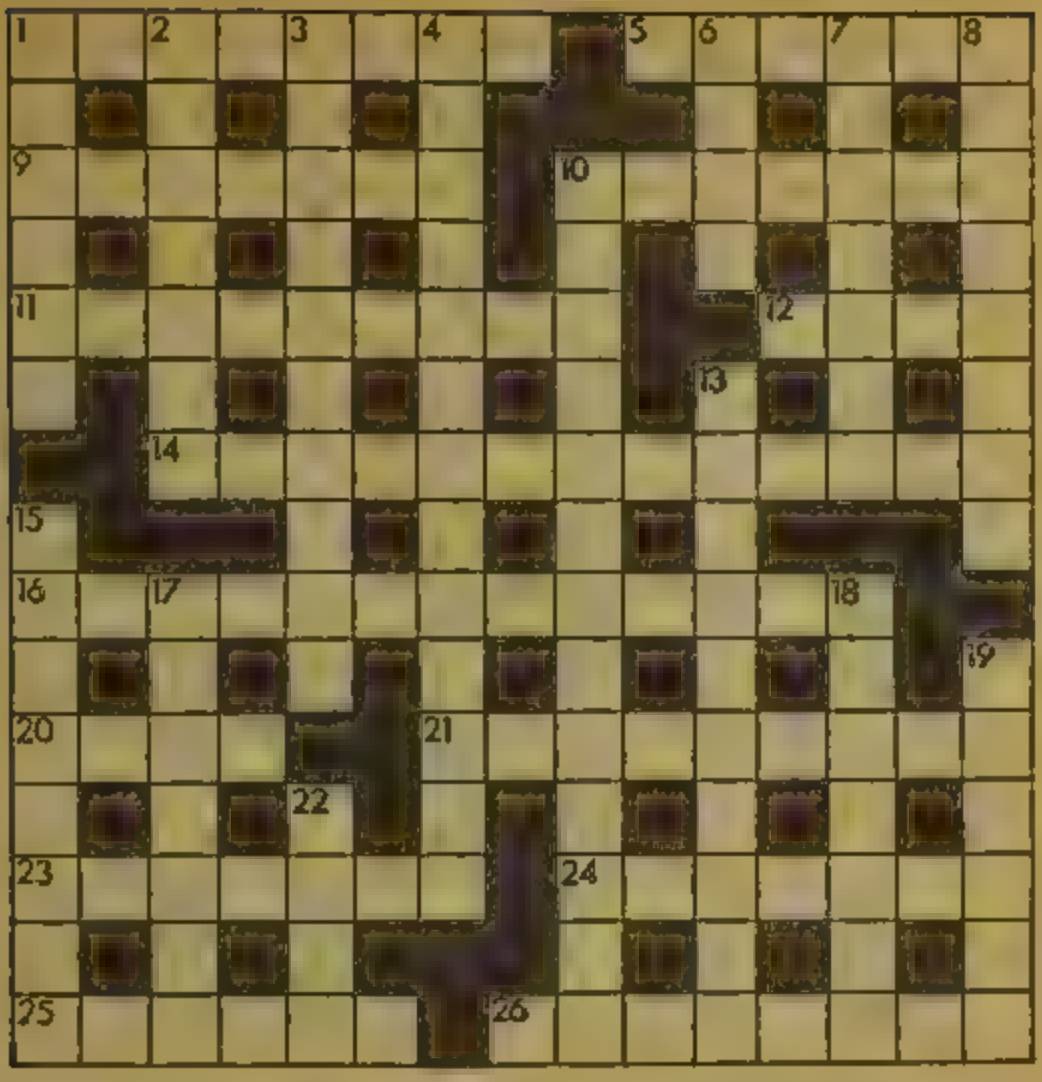

ACROSS

1 Jamb: cross back with letters (4-4)
5 Important Mohammedan falls just short of an officer of the Crown (6)
9 Large vessel I preserve in a Palace (7)
10 The devil and the Dean encroach (7)
11 Aggregation that is seen among eels (9)
12 Ran away, returning Dutch crockery (4)
14 Less distinguished races—what are they doing in the china shop? (7, 6)
16 The most valuable paper, but not always the most valuable book (6, 7)
20 It's smart to exclude the East (4)
21 Errors tie, in a tangle, the noisy reveller (9)
23 Pre-Victorian P.M. preserving food supplies (7)
24 Bill presents a narrative (7)
25 The bird to keep up in a crisis (6)
26 Stealthy hunters, who give the game away if they lose their head (8)

DOWN

1 Emblem that displays ingenuity (6)
2 Got us in somehow for the excursions (7)
3 Don't pinch so much, like a French billiard-table (10)
4 Touchy amphibian underneath a horse (9, 4)
6 Optimism that created Rudolf Rassendyll (4)
7 The bookies permit a twister (7)
8 Frightful—I finish in grip of shark? (8)
10 Being at home, prepare letters for post should I be prevented: it's unimportant (13)
13 Pill—lace it with a spin, like the Mikado's billiard-balls (10)
15 Bird of ill omen once for the prisoner at the bar (8)
17 Like a giant, victim of an iceberg (7)
18 Training for a strange turn on a Yorkshire river (7)
19 So removed from a philosopher, these boxes (6)
22 Source of wealth among the preeminent (4)

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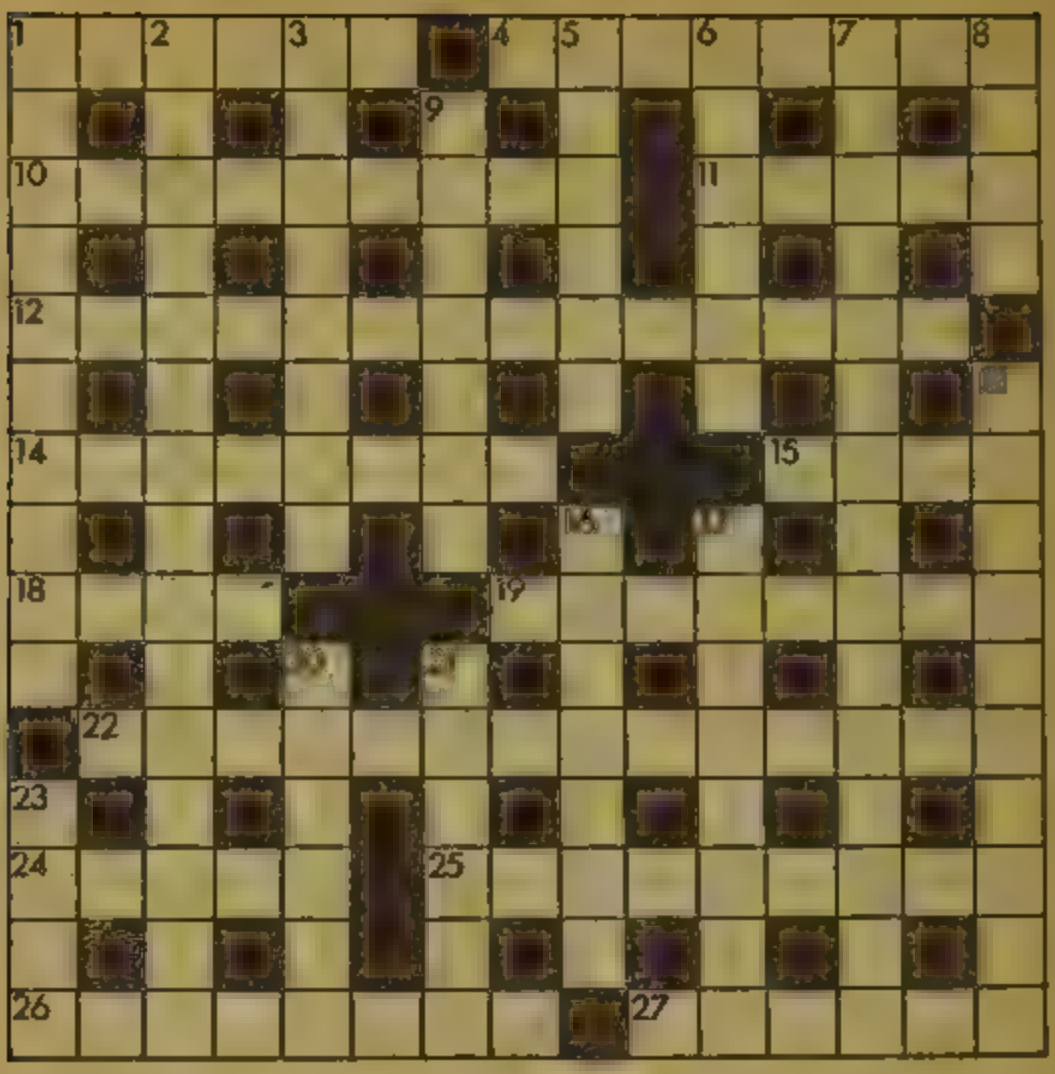


ACROSS

1 Productive source of money around City district (6)
4 Stupid class—broad-shouldered (5-3)
10 To get a spell of fighting to change, face the other way (5, 4)
11 Insist on payment, with no reduction (5)
12 Record played at such a recent date, forlornly (14)
14 Heather, lake—unusual colours for this wear? (8)
15 Marbles? Just the opposite: work hard (4)
18 Comfortable home in fine style (4)
19 Burn nude, embarrassed, and get rid of embarrassment (8)
22 Brass-hat, ready for any sort of duty? (7, 7)
24 Roué performing in cathedral town (5)
25 Cox in turbulent N.E. streams (9)
26 The most heavenly spot is in the promenade (8)
27 Applies third degree methods to restaurants (6)

DOWN

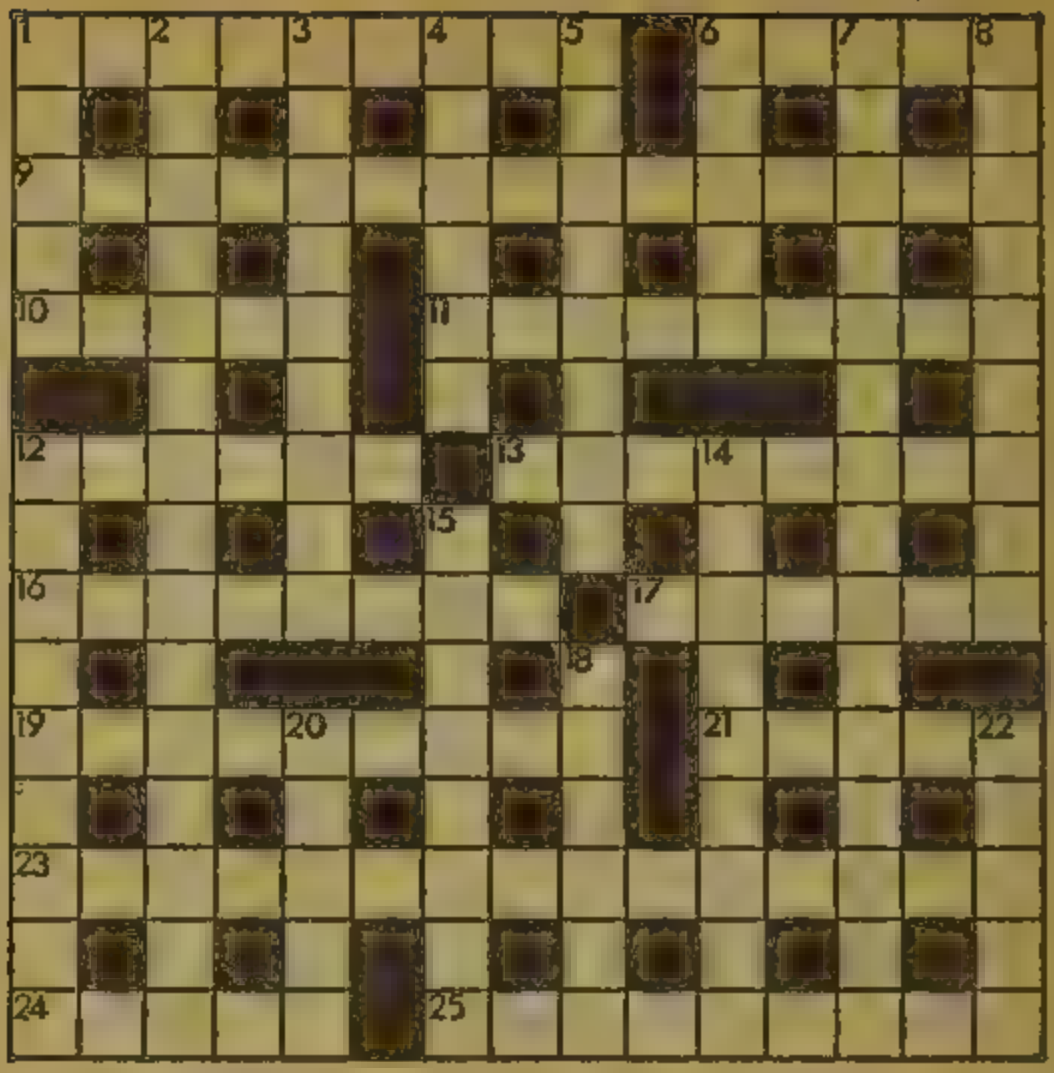
1 Dishonest German lady of the French, fast (10)
2 His job might be to clean the zebras (8, 7)
3 This constituent of the air needs retoning, in a way (8)
5 Any advantage against one's adversary should be grasped (6)
6 Broken scythe, producing a low note (6)
7 How the Pharisees tucked in at the Zoo? (9, 1, 5)
8 Good gallery for a great test cricketer (4)
9 The following is one's occupation (7)
13 Peddlers get it in the East—kicks up a fuss (10)
16 Put heart into the finish—received with great applause (7)
17 He gets a rotten time and gives permission (8)
20 One's tucked into a cigar, though only just out of mother's control (6)
21 Bants, by the sound of it, to reduce these? (6)
23 This expedition is a bad mistake (4)

ACROSS

1 The flavour of the barrel is horrible (6)
4 Uneasy pose employed when married or betrothed (8)
10 Crazy time-keeper? (6, 5)
11 Perfect score returned—one stroke (3)
12 For licking, flog in a suitable posture (7)
13 This is bound to pain the listener (7)
14 What the man who missed a penalty did? No wonder he missed it (6, 7)
17 Nick the weaver climbing? (This one is reversed) (6, 7)
21 Course sent back, having hairs on (7)
22 Adverse tide, a shade E., in a storm (4, 3)
24 Welshman curtails Irish Parliament (3)
25 Let mad group become different: this should be published abroad (11)
26 Pass other cars—undertakers don't (8)
27 This sum, if returned, would do for a junket (6)

DOWN

1 Uproarious dance to be fond of, but it's unalterable (8)
2 A bit of a halo (cumulative) for vicar's stand-in (5)
3 Slav who is more than a slipshod worker (7)
5 Said quite as much as one could swallow? (5, 1, 8)
6 Take ore, treat it, and you can get wood from it (3, 4)
7 Tidy variety of conifer? (6, 3)
8 Aquatic bird fitted to a car (6)
9 Extinguish a bird to make a savoury (6, 8)
15 Free-trader, capable of becoming obedient after the beginning of the century (9)
16 I say nasty things about an insular chap (8)
18 Drunkard turns up with a little liquor—he's tipsy (7)
19 To quarrel, as good mathematicians do? (7)
20 Boss I love where an artist works (6)
23 The stuff that chairs are meant to be (5)



ACROSS

1 Here's the C.O.—Gosh—I'll be in a prickly spot (9)
6 Right, or in the French wrong (5)
9 When "Everyone who should be here is here," including a Highlander like the rising sun? (5, 7, 3)
10 Ancient poet or pigeon (5)
11 Turned up about bride's clothes being two short (9)
12 Leaves the broken plates (6)
13 Very soft before inside a child, like many a herring (8)
16 Steersman remoulds wax icons (8)
17 Leg, perhaps, before the Queen should be flexible (6)
19 Untruthfulness in a carol-singer, to try to catch people (3, 2, 4)
21 Provide food for pet with hesitation (5)
23 First four of Hampshire taken in by erratic Tyson in O.U.C.C.—leading cricketers (6, 9)
24 A Scotsman is like the shores of the sea (5)
25 Take the sensible view before in due time (3, 6)

DOWN

1 Lady's garment — hush — that's pert (5)
2 Revelation of profit that leads to loss (6, 3, 6)
3 Possible effect of a cold bath, that follows sunset (9)
4 Meaning that comes from overseas (6)
5 Bird that has to re-echo the end (8)
6 Fruit that makes a chap work properly (5)
7 New deals: you'll find mixed sorts buried in it (15)
8 To flatten out a student helps a parson (3, 6)
12 Choose hair; burglars use them (9)
14 Royal personage must swallow disorderly lip—that's fundamental (9)
15 Monetary resources are a help to a fish with lineage (try to be detached) (8)
18 Bombardment in first World War might have been faster (6)
20 Looking smart, coming from Sidon at Tyre (5)
22 Concerning wickedness, it's very sticky (5)

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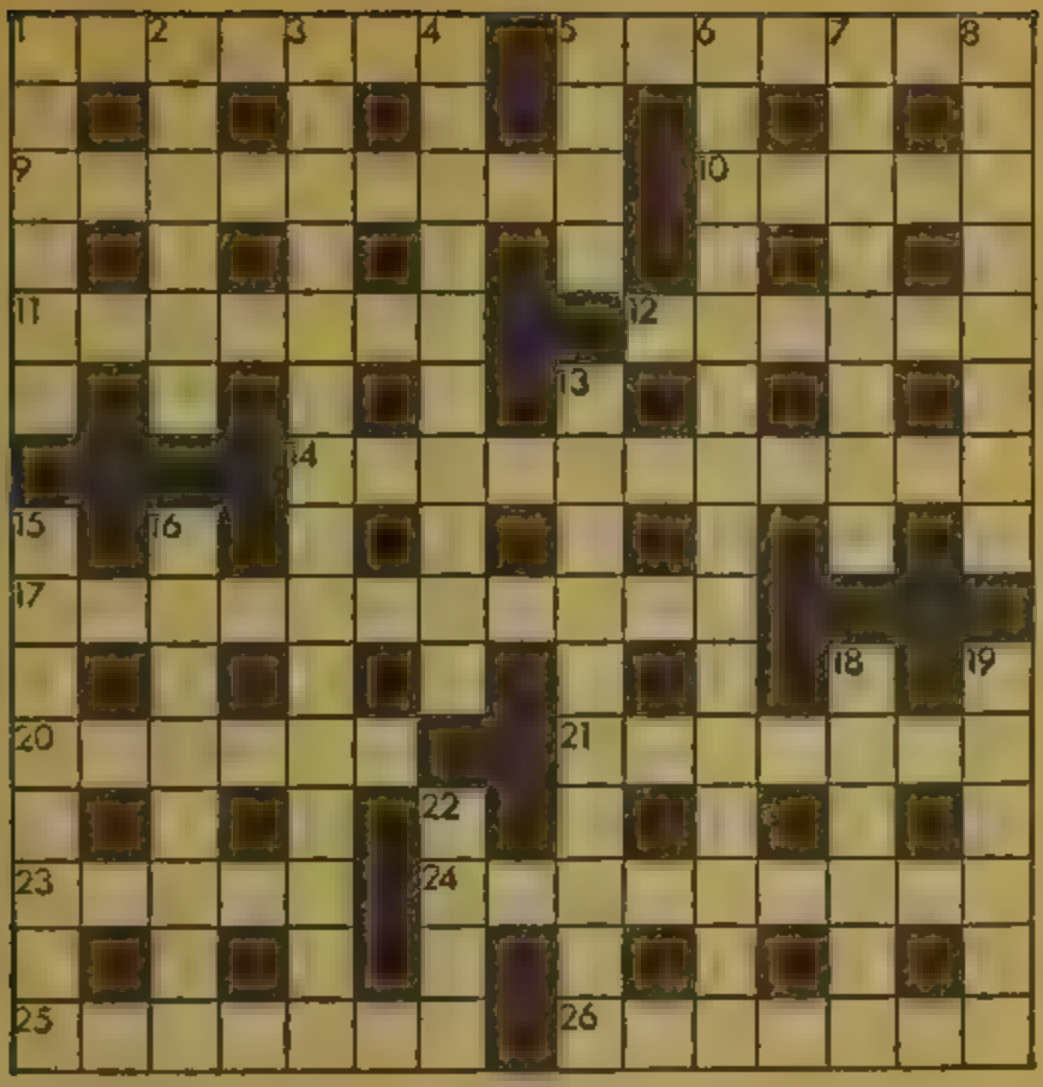

ACROSS

1 A County Council employer is the plaintiff (7)
5 Prim and proper, yet waggish in a dirty spot (7)
9 Unconditional inheritance—remuneration easy (3, 6)
10 I'll get a kind of wood: it's perfect (5)
11 Rulin' S A. disastrously, being narrow-minded (7)
12 Drag a duck in a Swiss Lake (6)
14 Do write to me, as the man said who had fallen down a crevasse (4, 2, 1, 4)
17 You and I, about to consume her leading men: that shows how the wind blows (11)
20 Hat for a well-known artist's model (6)
21 Passenger-carrier hurried and is back (7)
23 A bit of ashen, natural hair-dye (5)
24 A grim road, unharmonious, may irritate neighbours with its music (9)
25 With plenty of sauce in clothes (7)
26 Sceptre, after a revolution, produces awe (7)

DOWN

1 Thing with a very loud tune (6)
2 A useful wrinkle for cricketers (6)
3 How a clumsy waiter gave the game away? (7, 3, 5)
4 Performer's stock, or tree ripe to be destroyed (10)
5 Pace that overthrows the favourites (4)
6 Sharp falls? Suckers don't mind them (10, 5)
7 Lord Attlee engaged on 'is trailer (8)
8 It's more cowardly to shout over a debtor (8)
13 Envoy has his morning drink on a crooked road (10)
15 Diverted after a thrashing (8)
16 Comic opera that endures for a long time (8)
18 The hunted criminal tries to make himself this—not often seen (6)
19 Quick frolic in the middle of physical jerks (6)
22 Softly the stick gives a poke (4)

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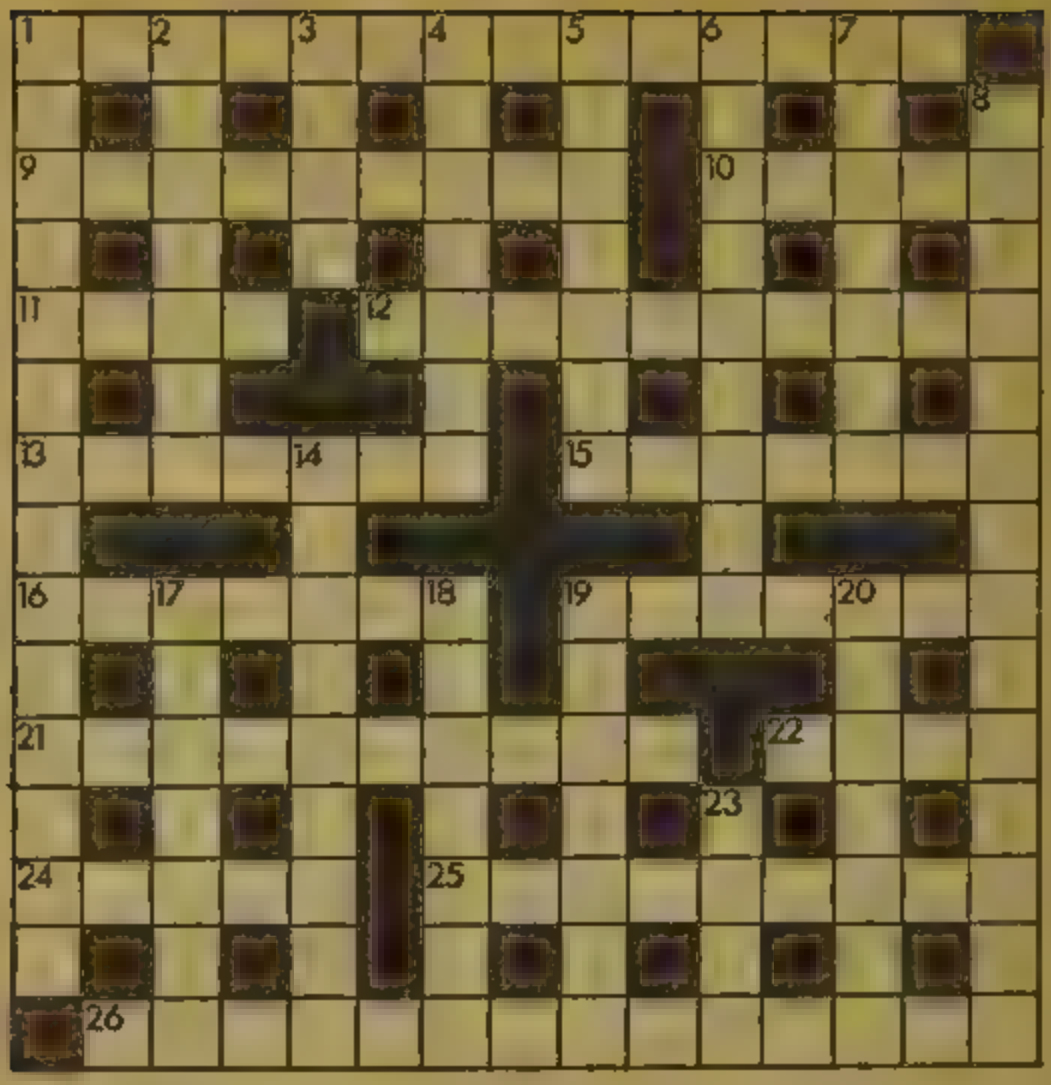

ACROSS

1 In the revival of learning, learn: here's a preliminary survey (14)
9 Fruit only? No, fish (5, 4)
10 A bun before this evening party would be plenty (5)
11 You want gin—there's a portion coming b[illegible]k (4)
12 Stormy loch, shattered roof, then come the Marines—it'll stop you feeling a thing (10)
13 The traveller to rove in trouble, the reverse of cheerful at heart (7)
15 Once famous bowler, honoured by a city (7)
16 Get tobacco, to put the lid on examinee's ordeal (7)
19 Listen—more than one over the eight—cheer up (7)
21 Coin it a bit differently: it may be a cure (10)
22 Aims that go with the odds (4)
24 It's jolly fine to get bigger and bigger (5)
25 One altered, different, one—that's the evening primrose (9)
26 Undress—till there's only one Kentish soldier left? (5, 2, 3, 4)

DOWN

1 Grammarians know who often starts this (8, 6)
2 2 is but 3 isn't (7)
3 One over the eight, quite early in the evening (4)
4 Just one more—no heart? Use the shaker (7)
5 Start moving—favourites overthrown, unseated (4, 3)
6 Constellation also roamed erratically (9)
7 Study how horses ran before, and act accordingly (7)
8 Not just one immovable stick, but all the officers (9, 5)
14 Italian, shocking in embrace of gay Parisian (9)
17 One's ill—that's obvious about one (7)
18 Take care—there's nothing all right in the awkward chap (4, 3)
19 Bun-container that's full of holes (4-3)
20 A nut one gets twisted in the back of the car (7)
23 Painful spot, with a saint over you (4)

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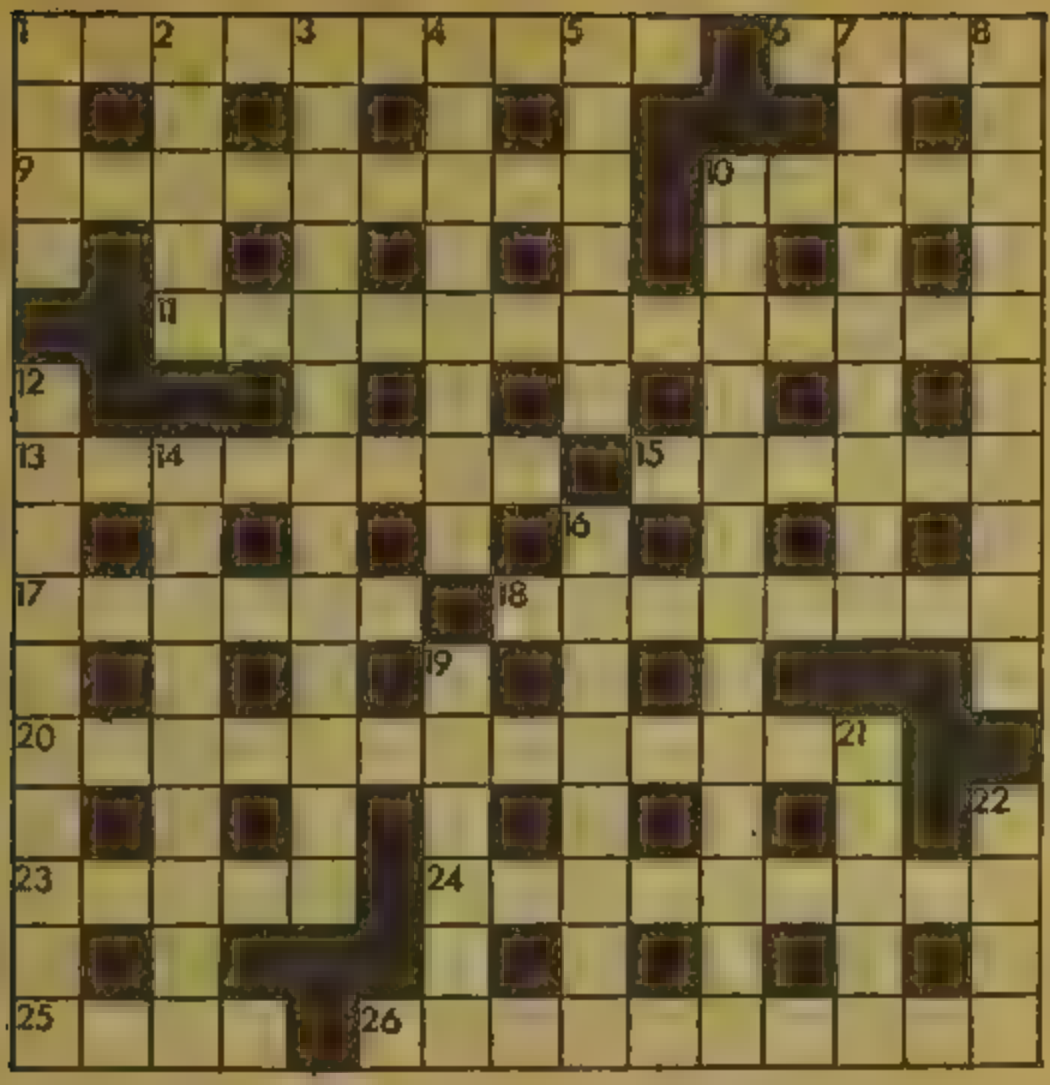

ACROSS

1 Bachelor with evil passion, dear, (most improper) going upstairs (10)
6 Being complacent, sticks back (4)
9 Jaws bind awkwardly in men (9)
10 Put before Law by a P.M., getting on in the legal profession (5)
11 Expletive appropriate on a hot tin roof? (9, 4)
13 Didn't refuse: that's quite normal (8)
15 Asiatic rejects help in a pub (6)
17 Bother the lopped tree—it's just a weed (6)
18 A place in 'olland suits attacks of shivers (4, 4)
20 What a drunkard saw on a zebra? He's deceptive (6-7)
23 Vagrant employs beginning of morning in gin (5)
24 Like a gate-crasher with suit riven, very untidy (9)
25 An outhouse: take things off here (4)
26 Apt to be feeble, not at all inclined to bandy (5-5)

DOWN

1 A jolt that enables one to find one's way? (4)
2 Ball game arena binds people together (5)
3 What you keep when you have a tooth out—even after a local anaesthetic? (5, 5, 3)
4 Feeling better about hat original lady appears in (8)
5 Part of the lid is tilted, to let drops fall (6)
7 Dickensian milliner—beheaded Russian leader in main upset (9)
8 Hears and sings discordantly—very loud quality (10)
10 This may be exemplified by a flying start (9, 4)
12 Potential M.P.s, outspoken over questionable seat (10)
14 To go about dead after unending popular show (9)
16 Coasting erratically, with no assured beliefs (8)
19 I must appear in a London district for a law-suit (6)
21 River that once wanted watching (5)
22 Look at Penny, one of the best at Wimbledon (4)

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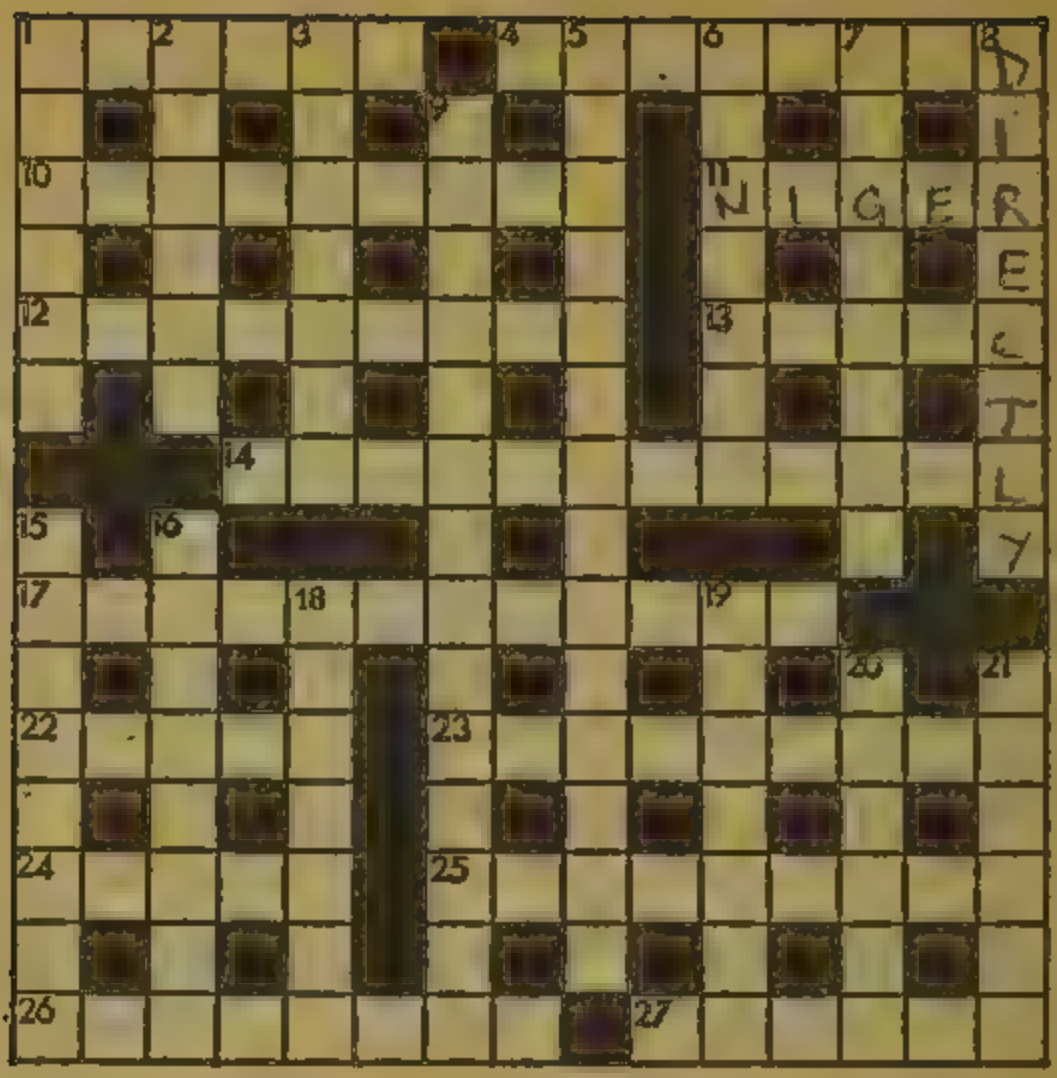

ACROSS

1 Shady retreat—bloke follows unfinished beer (6)
4 Account unpaid was swelling (8)
10 Burglar's tool—the middle portion (6-3)
11 River that causes a troubled reign (5)
12 Stay-at-home who may save better money (3-6)
13 Important note that should do good (5)
14 It has never been the right means of producing spirit, and it's —— (7, 5)
17 Something to keep baby quiet—one that's starting—is useful at a picnic (6-6)
22 I'm good at making a catch—not quite long-on (5)
23 Send someone abroad for a bit more varied diet (9)
24 "Per ardua ad ——," like retrograde painting (5)
25 Like some note-books turned over at New Year by a profligate? (5-4)
26 Assiduous, in spite of being unpolished (8)
27 Dust and endless fat, used by builders (6)

DOWN

1 Rising, like foreign currency (6)
2 Accountant one over the eight, behaving like a dog (6)
3 Goodness cut short with nearly everyone, in effect (7)
5 Translate Ernie into Latin: such writing may have a hidden meaning (14)
6 Pieces of stuff, one of which is vital for bowler (7)
7 Funny man acting rested; hence the sleeper (5-3)
8 In a straightforward manner, without delay (8)
9 Tibia, perhaps, or an excuse for one (1, 4, 2, 4, 3)
15 Take out what certainly isn't concrete (8)
16 It's to let, in bad repair—it may be murderous (8)
18 Yearn before an attempt in the distant past (4, 3)
19 Glossy coats give me a lens that's distorted (7)
20 In discipline a lot is handed down from ancestors (6)
21 Coat that reduces the amount of linen exposed? (6)

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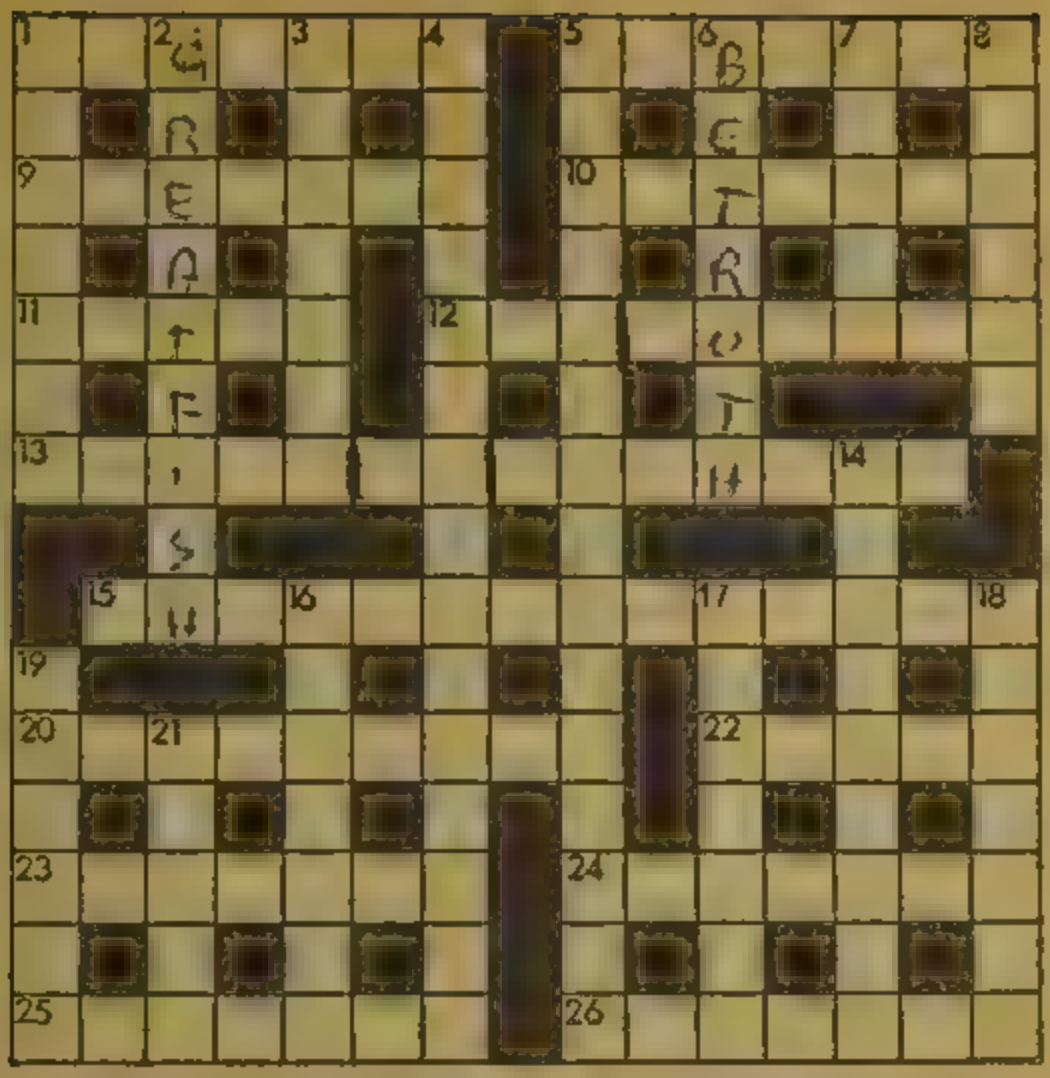

ACROSS

1 Insect with an expression of contempt is terrifying (7)
5 Judge arrives shortly with fierce dog, perhaps (7)
9 See the top of the rise—it's raised in disapproval (7)
10 Work after short month has many ramifications (7)
11 There's a great deal to a game of chance (5)
12 Pet that makes one dote, loopy (3, 6)
13 Be unscrupulous—and keep changing jobs? (5, 2, 7)
15 Insignificant creature, one who uses both rod and teeth? (14)
20 Stiffener produced by a great beast (9)
22 Cultivates fields—there's money in them (5)
23 Broken bat in dark cover produces feeble play (7)
24 Being very wobbly, gets a lot more wrong (7)
25 Swell short line performed in theatre (7)
26 Quick return to tear toes badly (7)

DOWN

1 They crush things and are crushed by coppers (7)
2 What swallowed Jonah? Change of gear with erratic shift (5, 4)
3 Polish up a weed, a prickly plant (7)
4 Operatic song suggests the opposite of variety strip-tease (2, 4, 3, 6)
5 It makes me lour—nasty note. Put it in the fire (9, 6)
6 Prepare for marriage, a gamble, showing bad temper except for the start (7)
7 Drank too much, overthrowing the store (5)
8 Something for breakfast that is more risky (6)
14 Gold coins with a rod on, running from north to south (9)
16 Softly describe a dignitary (7)
17 Hill dweller gets seat up about right in Belgium (7)
18 Coming up, sir—fish, and some minced meat (7)
19 Big hits, but rotten beer (6)
21 Flower displayed in the villa's terraces (5)

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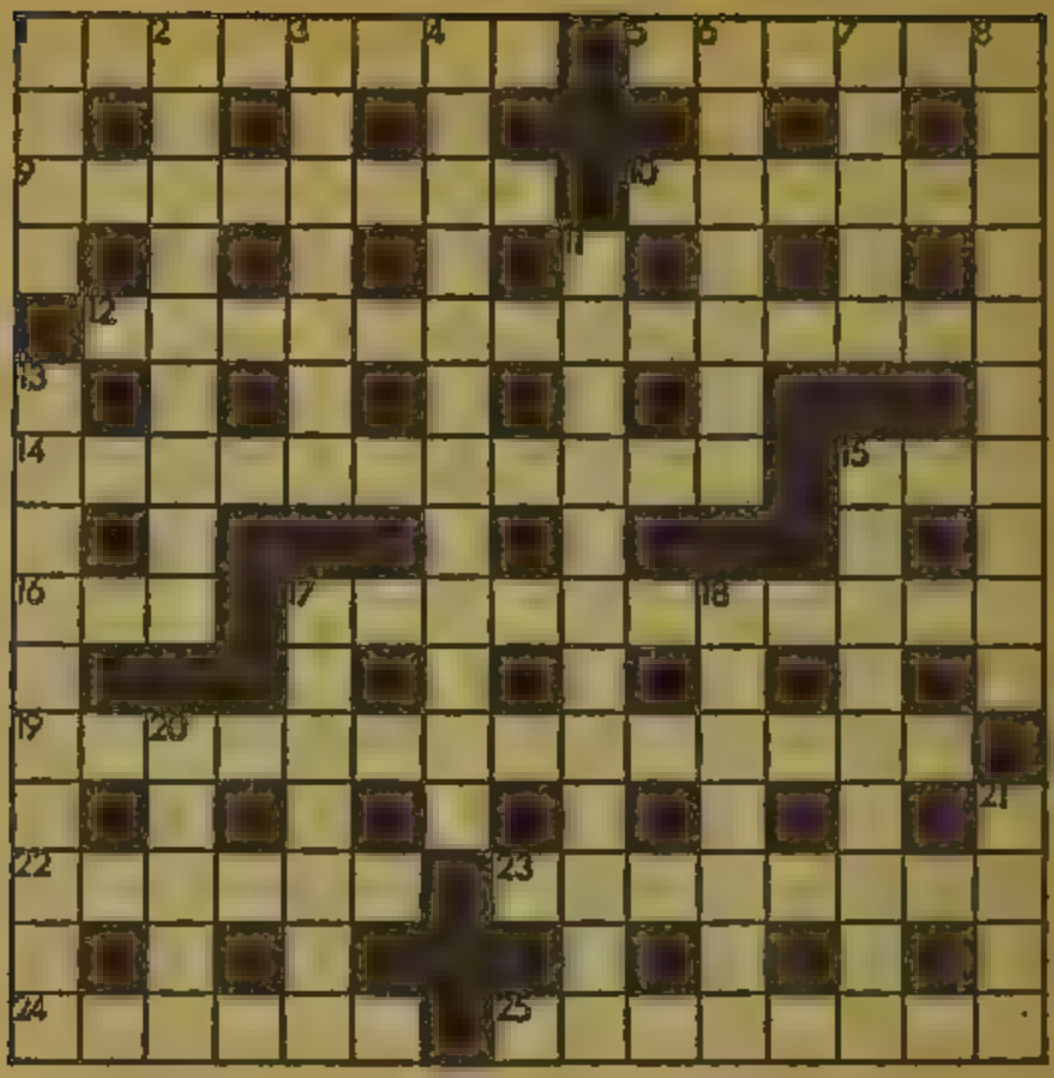

ACROSS

1 Source of great profit—money belonging to me (4-4)
5 Colossal kind of power with a male in charge (6)
9 My French utterance on the Welsh border (8)
10 He came from France, and not a British Isle (6)
12 Bend over fish and state how old it is—that shows cost of past deliveries (7, 7)
14 Instruction to dancer? Don't trip (4, 3, 4)
15 Ignite, with lid off, an ash-container (3)
16 Tune from Tosca I remember (3)
17 Tide-map and mine mixed up in soldier's baggage (11)
19 Permanent instructions—to stop the sitting? (8, 6)
22 Optimistic attempt to score off declarer or bookie (6)
23 Pears lie wrongly in this lattice-work (8)
24 Chap who chaffs is a nasty piece of work (6)
25 Power of observation—I agree, in 8 (8)

DOWN

1 Pheasant, etc.—it's nothing serious (4)
2 Proprietor, county, in the small road on the right (4-5)
3 Doctor, proceeding, alighted, being bright at night (7)
4 Inappropriate, but by no means the publican's job, by the sound of it (3, 2, 7)
6 Drillers form it: it sounds excessively profound (3, 4)
7 It's poisonous: mother gets a doctor in (5)
8 Upset, can 'e in Lent? Less than once in a life-time (10)
11 Promises to pay in quickly and carelessly, yet in a particular way (12)
13 Essayist beheaded — equally wretched alternative for envoy (10)
15 Artilleryman, 20, in Paris, docked at both ends, weakening (9)
17 Gratify your appetite, eluding when in trouble (7)
18 Rash people make plans about an aide-de-camp (7)
20 Fully developed in our age last month (5)
21 Determination needed in observing ritual (4)

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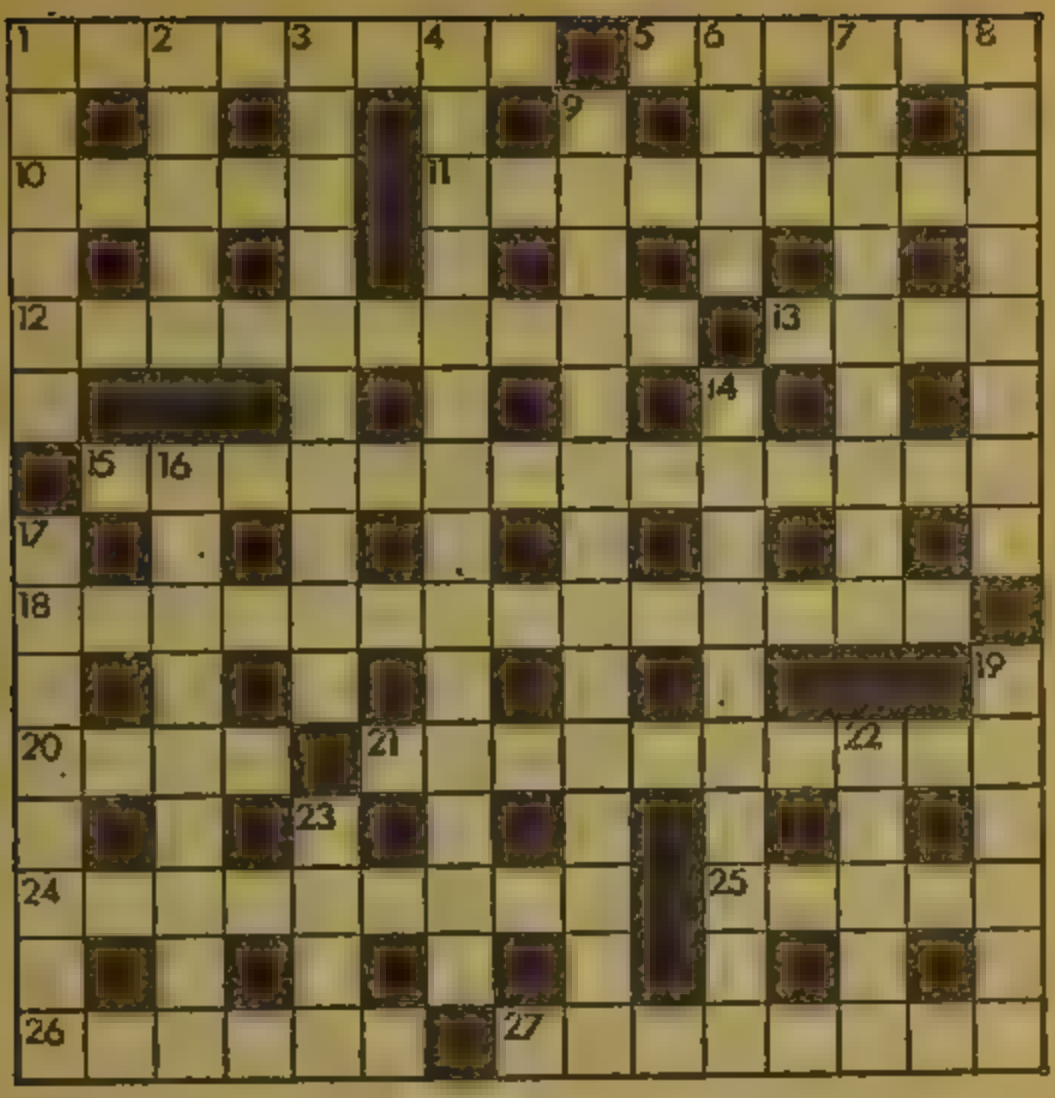

ACROSS

1 Snake footprint, to be seen in London in spring (8)
5 Stampedes in the tall grasses (6)
10 Punished—it might make you dance (5)
11 Stuffing the cab with me dry, anyhow (9)
12 It's trumpery to make the directors sticky (10)
13 Excuse for enjoyment (not sure) (4)
15 Like good hose, or a complete bust? (5, 9)
18 What the Sovereign's expenses are, among those one regards as polite? (2, 3, 5, 4)
20 Look at the railway, says the parrot (4)
21 Phone out of order, with no people sent in? It's amazing (10)
24 A bad sign in smashed up Praed Street (it's broad) (9)
25 I'm underground, in two senses (5)
26 Catch out a dissolute parent (6)
27 Fool 'em, Nellie, in a get-together (8)

DOWN

1 Bishops, in short, have pinched the diamonds: that means muscle (6)
2 Girl attaining end of perfection in many years (5)
3 Like some woodpeckers, with distorted reeded bill (3-7)
4 Executes the man—hard slices for cannibal afterwards? (4, 3, 3, 4)
6 To reverse all that's been achieved in gun-dogs (4)
7 The train runs over them—bad luck (4, 5)
8 Guards of Heaven? Up in the air (8)
9 Poker-faced, and very dumb? (14)
14 Philosopher I ran into about a very short space (10)
16 What the most prolific speakers do—it's the limit (9)
17 It's all up in the wood—a flop (8)
19 Vigour potentially green with beginning of youth (6)
22 Wealthy Indian in the north with only a shilling (5)
23 Girl who might make you rave (4)

ACROSS

1 Steward gets a hard blow—about to be sick (7)
5 Looking ashamed—result of giving a bad name? (4-3)
9 Use lint: adapted, that's of value in a household (7)
10 What's spring-like about love? It's a drug (7)
11 Toasts or swindles (4, 5)
12 You can see through this endless prophet (4)
14 Getting fat? Try some gentle golf, now, for a change, before 8 (7, 2, 6)
15 Executes summarily, like a fast bowler's ball (6, 3, 2, 4)
19 Face reversed, as an egg is (4)
20 Cocktail of pure, feminine type? (5, 4)
22 Swift vessel for a ticket inspector (7)
23 Geraint turned to stone (7)
24 Coins that administer correction (7)
25 They're crazy about Sid's return, and have no cover (7)

DOWN

1 Leap to the top, in spite of being very restricted (5, 2)
2 Sweet bracer round an Arctic shore? (3, 4)
3 I snore by it, drunkenly, displaying this? (10)
4 Like a philanthropist or an accurate watch (4, 2, 4, 5)
5 Free from engagements, but not fit to go out of doors (6, 7, 2)
6 What is your name? The usual thing (4)
7 Making rhythmical movements at a ball? (7)
8 Dashing man has to annoy a busy worker (7)
13 Egotism, advisable while shaving (4-6)
15 To beg is in this way allowed (7)
16 Love on the wing—that's merely an id■ (7)
17 One in distress rising—I go inside, upset—slow movements (7)
18 New York shows a rise in clothes—prohibition? (7)
21 Peas stewed in church (4)

SOLUTIONS

No. 1

Across—1 Dabs; 3 Stock-rider; 9 Legends; 11 Payable; 12 Bridge Markers; 14 Respect; 15 Marryat; 16 To Match; 18 Steeper; 20 Schoolmasters, 23 Wrecked; 24 Tonsure; 25 Sempstress; 26 Meet.

Down—1 Deliberate; 2 Bigwigs; 4 Test Match; 5 Caper; 6 Rhyme Or Reason; 7 Debussy; 8 Reel. 10 No Great Shakes; 13 Sternsheet; 15 Messmates; 17 Misterm; 19 Prelude; 21 Order; 22 Awls.

No. 2

Across—1 Canopy; 4 Cherubic; 9 Buttercup; 11 Mouse; 12 Livery Stable; 15 Ambleside; 16 Baton; 17 Exist; 18 Sophocles; 19 Press Button B; 23 Okapi; 24 Ethiopian; 25 Freshmen; 26 Andrew.

Down—1 Cube; 2 Note; 3 President; 5 Happy Despatch; 6 Remit; 7 Bluebottle; 8 Cleverness; 10 Credit Squeeze; 13 Waterproof; 14 Obliterate; 16 Blown Down; 20 Swish; 21 Pier; 22 Snow.

No. 3

Across—1 Back-pedal; 6 Basis; 9 Uprisen; 10 Gondola; 11 Tear Me Off A Strip; 12 Griselda; 14 Fired; 16 Angle; 18 Unbeaten; 21 Dress Rehearsals; 23 Realist; 24 Seattle; 25 Deeds; 26 Silver Cup.

Down—1 Bounty; 2 Corsair; 3 Postmasterships; 4 Dingo; 5 Leg Of Lamb; 6 Banns Of Marriage; 7 Scourer; 8 Stampede; 13 Laureates; 15 Laddered; 17 Grenade; 19 Elastic; 20 Asleep; 22 Easel.

No. 4

Across—1 Powder-puff; 6 Stud; 9 Lucre; 10 Roastings; 12 Theatre; 13 Numeral; 14 Double Dummy; 17 Chancellery; 20 Portico; 21 Fibrose; 23 Incognito; 24 Joint; 25 So-so; 26 Inasmuch As

Down—1 Palate; 2 Wicked; 3 Event; 4 Perpetual Motion; 5 Flannelled Fools; 7 Tantrums; 8 Displays; 11 Timidly; 14 Ducking; 15 Sceptics; 16 Barracks; 18 Polish; 19 Fettes; 22 Bijou.

No. 5

Across—1 Lady With The Lamp; 9 Gosport; 10 Cat-call; 11 Terse; 12 Interment; 13 Evil-doers; 15 Abide; 17 Ditto; 18 Detonator; 20 Distemper; 22 Prude; 23 Eclairs; 24 Inkling; 25 Ship Of The Desert.

Down—1 Light headedness; 2 Distraint; 3 Wrote; 4 Titmice; 5 Tacitus; 6 Entertain; 7 Agate; 8 Pull Their Weight; 14 Duodecimo; 16 Intrusive; 18 Deposit; 19 Termite; 21 Salmi; 22 Pekoe.

No. 6

Across—1 Sash; 3 Amalekites; 10 Run Down; 11 Macabre; 12 Presses His Suit; 14 Everyone; 15 Chaser; 17 Swathe; 19 Combines; 22 Problem Picture; 24 Topsail; 25 Rhenish; 26 Rosa Dartle; 27 Sham.

Down—1 Strip-tease; 2 Sincere; 4 Minus One; 5 Limpid; 6 Kicks The Bucket; 7 Tabbies; 8 Step; 9 Goes By The Board; 13 Pressed Ham; 16 Corporal; 18 Apropos; 20 Nourish; 21 Cellar; 23 Star.

No. 7

Across—1 Hold Briefs; 6 Gala; 9 Drearisome; 10 Bent; 11 Absenteeism; 15 Reduce; 16 In Spirit; 18 Sympathy; 19 Boston; 21 Penny-a liner; 24 Trip; 25 Windjammer; 26 Heel; 27 Cheese-mite.

Down—1 Hide; 2 Leek; 3 Bureaucracy; 4 Insist; 5 Feminine; 7 Ameliorate; 8 Automatons; 12 Expropriate; 13 Cross-patch; 14 Adamantine; 17 Childish; 20 On Edge; 22 Omri; 23 Brae.

No. 8

Across—1 Relations; 6 Stud; 10 On The Boil; 11 Leads; 12 Endear; 13 Oversee; 14 Vulgar Fractions; 16 Bricks And Mortar; 19 Aseptic; 20 Opiate; 23 Istle; 24 Instigate; 25 Norm; 26 Yearnings.

Down—1 Room; 2 Let In; 3 Theresa; 4 Odour Of Sanctity; 5 St. Leonards On Sea; 7 Transport; 8 Dispenser; 14 Vibration; 15 Leicester; 17 Kitten; 18 Opinion; 21 Tram; 22 Pets.

No. 9

Across—1 Calumniate; 6 Tsar; 9 Mourn; 10 Tarnished; 12 Discreditable; 14 Therefor; 15 Orbits; 18 Wisdom; 19 Parmesan; 21 Right Reverend; 24 Euphemist; 25 Ozone; 26 Sire; 27 Reinstates.

Down—1 Comb; 2 Laundress; 3, 4 Minister Of The Interior; 5 Tirade; 7 Sahib; 8 Redressing; 11 Interim Report; 13 Stewardess; 16 Inside Out; 17 Gaveston; 20 Defile; 22 Gaper; 23 Keys.

No. 10

Across—1 High; 3 Phenomenon; 10 Clearly; 11 Tel Aviv; 12 Standard-bearer; 14 Mare's Nest; 16 Crêpe; 17 Swain; 18 Semibreve; 19 Anglo-Americans; 23 Ice Rink; 24 Swerver; 25 Satin Dress; 26 Frog.

Down—1 Hock; 2, 9 Great-great-great-grandson; 4 Hay-makers; 5 Noted; 6 Mêlée; 7, 8 Never Never Never Never Never; 12 Emissaries; 15 Tamarisks; 16 Cubicles; 20 Onion; 21 Maker; 22 Brag.

No. 11

Across—1 Bank Rate; 5 Behalf; 10 Tilt At A Windmill; 11 Copeck; 12 Aground; 14 Tutorship; 16 Undue; 17 Taunt; 18 Stockists; 19 Athwart; 20 Reward; 23 Countermandable; 25 Sundry; 26 Reverent.

Down—1 Butt; 2 Nelson Touch; 3 Reade; 4 Thanks His Stars; 6 Eider-duck; 7 Ali; 8 Full Dress; 9 Misappropriate; 13 Undesirable; 14 Tetrarchs; 15 Retractor; 21 Wedge; 22 Lent; 24 Urn.

No. 12

Across—1 Diatribe; 5 Icicle; 9 Bearskin; 10 Enamel; 12 Iris; 13 Thundering; 15 Cat's Whiskers; 18 Intermission; 21 Copernican; 22 Hugo; 24 Velour; 25 Offender; 26 Reside; 27 Censored.

Down—1 Débris; 2 Agaric; 3 Rest; 4 Blithe Spirit; 6 Conversion; 7 Combined; 8 Eulogist; 11 On The Snaffle; 14 Fair Ground; 16 Discover; 17 Stipples; 19 Murder; 20 Torrid; 23 Lens.

No. 13

Across—1 Rotas; 4 Gate-posts; 9 Beppo; 10 Lubricate; 11 Physiotherapist; 12 Toasting; 13 Mendip; 17 Roller; 18 Sedative; 20 Stepped On The Gas; 22 Ptomaines; 23 Odour; 24 Dispensed; 25 Minus

Down—1, 2 Robs Peter To Pay Paul; 3 Slow In The Uptake; 4 Gelatine; 5 Tablet; 6 Private Bathroom, 7 Spahi; 8 Spelt; 14 Doing Down; 15 Pleasures; 16 Red-nosed; 19 Adonis; 20 Sapid, 21 Etons.

No. 14

Across—1 Itch; 3 Scientific; 9 Crossing The Line; 11 Consolidate; 12 Apt; 13 Pumpkin; 15 Toots; 17 Sixty; 19 Tidiest; 21 Son; 22 Hereinafter; 24 A Young Man's Fancy; 25 Pimpernels; 26 Hood.

Down—1 Inchcape; 2 Croon; 4 Consign; 5 Extract; 6 The Second Half; 7 Fricassee; 8 Cresta; 10 Stock Exchange; 14 Misinform; 16 Storeyed; 18 Yardman; 19 Trional; 20 Escarp; 23 Tango.

No. 15

Across—1 Poke; 3 Street-cars; 10 Ennui; 11 Lie In Wait; 12 Tacit; 13 Ornately; 15 Public Telephone; 18 Stage Door Keeper; 19 Senorita; 22 Horsa; 24 Assigning; 25 Round; 26 Admonished; 27 Keen.

Down—1 Pretty Pass; 2 King Cobra; 4 Tale Of Two Cities; 5 Eternal Triangle, 6 Tenet; 7 Avail; 8 Sate; 9 Diatribe; 14 Bear-garden; 16 Plethora; 17 Opportune; 20 Epsom; 21 Organ; 23 Lama.

No. 16

Across—1 Microphotograph; 9 Nyasa; 10 Gymnasium; 11 Hot Bottles; 12 Once; 14, 17 Strain At A Gnat, Swallow A Camel; 21 Ashy; 23 Corn Supply; 25 Honeycomb; 26 Abele; 27 Disentanglement.

Down—1 Mine Host; 2 Charters; 3 Oratorical; 4 High Tea; 5 Tempera; 6 Goat; 7 Alien; 8 Hamper; 13 Inaccurate; 15 Timepiece; 16 Play Debt; 18 Leonora; 19 Wind-bag; 20 Mashed; 22 Hands; 24 Hymn.

No. 17

Across—1 Led Up; 4 Death Roll; 9 How Goes The Enemy; 10 Nottingham; 11 Char; 13 Rattan; 14 Standard; 16 Needless; 18 Groats; 20 Darn; 21 Huntingdon; 23 Counter-claimant; 24 Red-handed; 25 Gases.

Down—1 Lehengrin; 2 Down To The Ground; 3 Profitable; 4 Dosage; 5 Athwart; 6 Heel; 7 Over Head And Ears; 8 Layer; 12 Entrancing, 15 Disunite; 17 Squared; 19 Stolid; 20 Decor; 22 Itma.

No. 18

Across—1 Blanket; 5 Bedlams; 9 Trade; 10 Goes Close; 11 Exhibitionists; 13 Comedies; 15 Minute; 17 Pathan; 18 Diagonal; 20 Headmistresses; 23 Howsoever; 24 Llano; 25 Rattler; 26 Scheldt

Down—1 Buttercups; 2 Abash; 3, 4 Keep Body And Soul Together; 5 Breton; 6 Declining Health; 7 About Turn; 8 Shed; 12 Hellespont; 14 Mother Wit; 16 Pictures; 19 Silver; 21 Stall; 22 Thor.

No. 19

Across—1 Bridge; 4 Educated; 9 Super; 10 Easy Terms; 11 Blows Over; 12 Mince; 13 Depressed Area; 17 Understanding; 19 Horsa; 21 Publicans; 23 Mandoline; 24 Suite; 25 Steerage; 26 Bengal.

Down—1 Busybody; 2 Impromptu; 3 Gores; 5 Discreditable; 6 Catamaran; 7 Turin; 8 Dished; 10 Eavesdropping; 14 Endeavour; 15 Animating; 16 Egg-shell; 18 Champs; 20 Range; 22 Issue.

No. 20

Across—1 Loses Grip; 6 Amble; 9 Topknot; 10 Rose-red; 11 Stop-watch; 12 Rides; 13 Battle Of Salamis; 15 Comes Round Again; 18 Arles; 19 Copyright; 22 Embargo; 23 Widgeon; 24 Rerow; 25 Serviette.

Down—1 Lotus; 2 Support; 3 Sinew; 4 Rotation Of Crops; 5 Purchasing Power; 6 Australia; 7 Boredom; 8 Eldest Son; 13 Buccaneer; 14 Last Straw; 16 Malabar; 17 Augment; 20 Radii; 21 Tense.

No. 21

Across—1 Sahibs; 4 Lampeter; 9 Nathan; 10 Porpoise; 12 Transport; 13 Ralph; 14 Take The Chair; 18 Perambulator; 21 Liege; 22 Testament; 24 Dragoman; 25 Tariff; 26 Stipends; 27 Mangel.

Down—1 Sanctity; 2 Hatracks; 3, 5 Beats About The Bush; 6 Paper-mill; 7 Triple; 8 Reecho; 11 Foremast Hand; 15 Therefore; 16 Steering; 17 Grateful; 19 Gladys; 20 Decani; 23 Abana.

No. 22

Across—1 Verity; 4 Berates; 9 Crossbill; 10 Verdi; 11 Rarebit; 12 Edge; 16 Looked Forward To; 17 Re-entrant Angles; 18 Yoho; 19 Iceberg; 23 Avoid; 24 Inelegant; 25 Satiate; 26 Tsetse.

Down—1 Vice, 2 Rood; 3 Testaments; 4 Billiard-tables; 5 Rave; 6 Taradiddle; 7 Shire Horse; 8 Disenfranchise; 13, 14 Clergyman's Sore Throat; 15 Mannerless; 20 Idea; 21 Halt, 22 Stye.

No. 23

Across—1 Antiseptic; 6 Scab; 9 Stiffer; 10 Package; 12 Intermittence; 14 Milkmaid; 15 Anklet; 17 Impute; 19 Downpour; 22 Touching Pitch; 24 Reissue; 25 Icicles; 26 Digs; 27 Understand.

Down—1 Also; 2 Trivial; 3 Safety Matches; 4 Portrait; 5 Impair; 7 Channel; 8 Beefeaters; 11 Cat o'-nine-tails; 13 Embittered; 16 Porpoise; 18 Pruning; 20 Ophelia; 21 Intern; 23 Used.

No. 24

Across—1 Cat's-meat; 5 Crater; 10 Sternum; 11 Honoria; 12 Niece; 13 Hoodwinks; 14 Standing Orders; 17 Lunatic At Large; 21 Versatile; 23 Genie; 24 Rossini; 25 Imagine; 26 Yearns; 27 Bludgeon.

Down—1 Casino; 2 Thereat; 3 Monkey-nut; 4 Armchair Critic; 6 Renew; 7 Terence; 8 Reassess; 9 Through The Mill; 15 Rear-guard; 16 Cleverly; 18 Nerissa; 19 Gentile; 20 Severn; 22 Alien.

No. 25

Across—1 Cork; 3 Horsewoman; 9 Matchless; 11 Epsom; 12 Carrier Pigeon; 14 Sanguine; 15 Aghast; 18 Reefer; 19 Filipino; 21 Gunpowder Plot; 24 Tutor; 25 Rain-water; 26 Sweet-brier; 27 Tell.

Down 1 Comb; 2 Reticence; 4 Obedient; 5 Sisera; 6 Weeping Willow; 7 Massé; 8 Nomination; 10 Hercule Poirot; 13 Ostrogoths; 16 Aristotle; 17 Migraine; 20 Adorer; 22 Nitre; 23 Oral.

No. 26

Across—1 Sirrah; 4 Protégés; 9 Euston; 10 Amenable; 11 A Tooth For A Tooth; 13 Obsolescent; 17 Cable Stitch; 20 Middle Westerner; 22 Tussores; 23 Shrill; 24 Converse; 25 Amused.

Down -1 Sheraton; 2 Response; 3 Apostolic; 5 Remorseless; 6 Tenet; 7 Gibbon; 8 Seethe; 12 Fast Bowlers; 14 Tottenham; 15 Stencils; 16 Chortled; 18 Emetic; 19 Edison; 21 Loose.

No. 27

Across—1 Caught In The Deep; 9 Palmist; 10 Charlie; 11 Thinner; 12 Palermo; 13 Log; 14 Thoughtless; 15 Felicitates; 19 Ass; 20 Way-bill; 21 Charqui; 22 Deodars; 24 Inuring; 25 National Gallery.

Down—1 Capital Of Sweden; 2 Uplying; 3 Hair-net; 4 Intercostal; 5 Tic; 6 Epaulet; 7 Enlarge; 8 Prepossessingly; 12 Pig-sticking; 16 Lays Out; 17 Chicago; 18 Sea-gull; 19 Acquire; 23 Spa.

No. 28

Across—1 Bear Pit; 5 Muffled; 9 Represent; 10 Llama; 11 Quartermistress; 12 Ex Officio; 15 Trent; 16 Orson; 17 Lay Reader; 19 Every Mother's Son; 22 Elbow; 23 Air Bubble; 24 Forsyte; 25 Endures.

Down—1 Baroque; 2 Alpha; 3 Pretty Fanny's Way; 4 Their; 5 Matrimony; 6 Fall To The Ground; 7 Lease-lend; 8 Dead Set; 13 Oyster Bar; 14 Collocate; 16 Oneself; 18 Runners; 20 Horse; 21 Sober.

No. 29

Across—1 Bookish; 5 Stewed; 11 Battersea; 12 Rearm; 13 Agag; 14 Puff Adders; 16, 19 Overexposed And Underdeveloped; 21 Fritillary; 23 Slip; 25 Rhomb; 26 Acid Drops; 27 Yesmen; 28 Inverse.

Down—2 Ostracean; 3 Keel; 4 Sesquipedalian; 6 Taradiddle; 7 Whale; 8 Damask; 9 Absalom; 10 Half A Sovereign; 15 Remediable; 17 Napoleons; 18 Adipose; 20 Affray; 22 Irons; 24 Idle.

No. 30

Across—1 Muff; 3, 9 Bunkering Service; 10 Pegasus; 11 Foolish Virgins; 12 Eighteen; 13 Embryo; 16 Divers; 18 Pinnacle; 21 Contract Bridge; 23 Leaders; 24 Ringlet; 25 Greatness; 26 Pawn.

Down 1 Masefield; 2 Furlong; 3 Brethren; 4 Napkin; 5 Engagement Ring; 6 Insaner; 7 Gist; 8 Sinister Street; 14 Overeaten; 15 Bitterns; 17 Violate; 19 Cedilla; 20 Parsee; 22 Slug.

No. 31

Across—1 Pedestrianism; 9 Ova; 10, 11 No Questions Asked; 12 Easy Chair; 13 Detonators; 15 Lean; 17 Acre; 19 Primordial; 22 Rear Lamps; 24 Reset; 25 Overcalling; 26 Gin; 27 Entertainment.

Down—1 Placket; 2 Denuding; 3 Sequester; 4 Reels; 5 Attack; 6 Isolate; 7 Mistranslating; 8 Dot And Carry One; 14 Remission; 16 Prorogue; 18 Reagent; 20 Insight; 21 Slicer; 23 Malta.

No. 32

Across—1 Vis-à-vis; 5 Customs; 9 Super; 10 Vacillate; 11 Barrier; 12 Oranges; 13 Electrification; 15 Preternaturally; 19 Scruple; 21 Endings; 22 Intercede; 23 Assam; 24 Economy; 25 Tin-tack.

Down—1 Visible; 2 Supersede; 3 Verdict; 4 Sovereign Remedy; 5 Cuckoo In The Nest; 6 Sultana; 7 Orang; 8 Stepson; 14 Inland Sea; 15 Passive; 16 Esparto; 17 Redrawn; 18 Yashmak; 20 Ratio.

No. 33

Across—1 Familiar; 5 Virus; 9 Lighter; 10 Thrived; 11 Deny; 12 Occasional; 14 Late For The Fair; 16 Nonsensicality; 19 Snapdragon; 20 Drab; 23 Average; 24 Lancers; 25 Dates; 26 Frighten.

Down 1 Filed; 2 Magenta; 3 Lath; 4 A Brace Of Shakes; 5 Vermicelli; 6 Ravenna; 7 Saddlery; 8 Atlantic Roller; 13 Seven Dials; 15 Ink-stand; 17 Nearest; 18 Torrent; 21 Basin; 22 Snug.

No. 34

Across—1 Bows; 3 Black Sambo; 9 Andaman; 11 Meander; 12 Knockmealdown; 14 Hiking; 15 Pilchard; 17 Rebuffed; 19 Abdiel; 22 Spider Monkeys; 24 Crowned; 25 Astride; 26 Ministries; 27 Skit.

Down—1 Black Shirt; 2 Wedlock; 4 Linger; 5 Camellia; 6 Shadow Cabinet; 7 Madonna; 8 Ours; 10 Making Friends; 13 Adolescent; 16 Defender; 18 Bassoon; 20 Ice Rink; 21 Impale; 23 Scum.

No. 35

Across—1 Whited Sepulchre; 9 Licking; 10 Restamp; 11 Inns; 12 Dressmaker; 14 Greenwood; 16 Minim; 17 Hydro; 19 Frying Pan; 21 Pilgrimage; 23 Idea; 25 Athwart; 26 A Priori; 27 Kicked The Bucket

Down—1 Walking The Plank; 2 Incense; 3 Evil; 4 Sugar Loaf; 5 Paris; 6 Last Moment, 7 Hearken; 8 Experimentalist; 13 Indoor Game; 15 Day's Grace; 18 Delphic; 20 Paddock; 22 Motet; 24 Urdu.

No. 36

Across—1 Dachshunds; 6 Quids; 10 Stars And Stripes; 11 Oaten; 12 She-bears; 14 Norms; 16 Disbodied; 17 Confessor; 18 Temse; 19 Overleaf; 21 Nonet; 23 Parted Brass Rags; 24 View; 25 Bricklayer.

Down—1 Disconnect; 2 Chapter And Verse; 3 Susan; 4 Ulnas; 5 Dispenser; 7 Unparliamentary; 8 Dash 9 Free-port; 13 Advertiser; 15 Spearmen; 16 Dismember; 20 Franc; 21 Nasal; 22 Spiv.

No. 37

Across—1 Crumb; 4 Proust; 8 Honed; 9 Tottenham; 11 Scalene; 12 Oblongs; 13 Cross The Rubicon; 15 Hypercritically; 19 Rubbish; 21 Outings; 22 Mussolini; 23 Halve; 24 Versus; 25 Gypsy.

Down—1 Cantaloup; 2 Undress; 3 By The Short Hairs; 4 Petrol Rationing; 5 One Club; 6 Sehon; 7 Physic; 10 Mason; 14 Colonelcy; 15 Harem; 16 Ruinous; 17 Catchup; 18 Yesmen; 20 Baste.

No. 38

Across—1 Orchid; 4 Carpeted; 9 Eland; 10 Saturnine; 11 Ida; 12 Love Matches; 13 Grape Hyacinth; 16 Conquistadors; 20 Mortar-board; 22 Ice; 23 Entrances; 24 Beast; 25 Sustains; 26 Ceases

Down—1 Openings; 2 Charabanc; 3 Indulge; 5 Antimacassars; 6 Puritan; 7 Thigh; 8 Dressy; 10 Save Your Bacon; 14 Hooligans; 15 Asbestos; 17 Niagara; 18 Audible; 19 Embers; 21 Rates.

No. 39

Across—1 Colleen; 5 Scruff; 10 Withe; 11 Doodlebug; 12 Rollo; 13 Westerner; 14 Pocket Boroughs; 17 Relative Clause; 19 Grill-room; 22 Ivory; 23 Incognito; 24 Quail; 25 Harold; 26 Scenery.

Down—1 Coward; 2 Little Owl; 3 Eye Socket; 4 Nude With Violin; 6 Calve; 7 Urban; 8 Figures; 9 House Of Commons; 15 Odalisque; 16 Gasconade; 17 Roguish; 18 Byplay; 20 Incur; 21 Legal.

No. 40

Across—1 Demobs; 4 Banter; 10 Christina; 11 Spent; 12 Bag; 13, 14 Charge Of The Light Brigade; 18 Case-hardened; 21 Philatelist; 23 Cue; 24 Vault; 25 Transpose; 26 Notary; 27 Moment.

Down—1 Duckbill; 2 Mortgage; 3 Basic; 5 Absconded; 6 Treaty; 7 Rather; 8 Disagreements; 9 Baggage Animal; 15 Tea Taster; 16 Anecdote; 17 Adherent; 19 Spavin; 20 Piquet; 22 Tasso.

No. 41

Across—1 Short-dated; 6 Fell; 9 Brokerage; 10 Pewit; 11 Tiring; 12 Hear, Hear; 14 Cut The Painter; 16 Captain Cuttle; 18 Intaglio; 19 Enigma; 22 Valet; 23 Glengarry; 24 Soya; 25 Gymnastics.

Down—1 Sabots; 2 Odour; 3, 4 The One That Got Away; 5 Eleven Plus; 7 Enwreathe; 8 Literary; 10 Persistent Gas; 13 Thinkingly; 14 Capitally; 15 Achieves; 17 Satyrs; 20 Gorki; 21 Bean.

No. 42

Across—1 French Dictation; 9 Owe; 10, 11 Seven League Boots; 12 Lie Still; 13 Liege; 14 Pub-crawl; 17 Mulliner; 19 Wound; 21 Mem-sahib; 23 Padre; 25 Water-cooler; 26 Rue; 27 Generalisations

Down—1 Football; 2 Eyesore; 3 Cast Steel; 4 Devil's Punchbowl, 5 Canterbury Bells; 6 Avert; 7 Ingelow; 8 Noel; 15 Raw Spirit; 16 Idleness; 18 Uneaten; 20 Undergo; 22 Surer; 24 Swag.

No. 43

Across—1 Saps; 3 Clodhopper; 10 Agent; 11 Solfeggio; 12 Lambent; 13 Chaise; 15 Won By A Short Head; 17 Granulated Sugar; 20 Hobnob; 22 Halidom; 24 Caterwaul; 25 Acorn; 26 Runner Duck; 27 Alms.

Down—1 Scallywags; 2 Pneumonia; 4 List To Starboard; 5 Dolichocephalic; 6 Overact; 7 Pages; 8 Room; 9 Steely; 14 Adornments; 16 Edged Tool; 18 Unnerve; 19 Salaam; 21 Often; 23 Scar.

No. 44

Across—1 Visa; 3 Up And Doing; 10 Therein; 11 Whimper; 12 Polish Corridor; 14 Rectangle; 16 Glebe; 17 Trail; 19 Disaffect; 21 Shots In The Dark; 24 Abridge; 25 Wicklow; 26 Dandyishly; 27 Oder.

Down—1 Vituperate; 2 Shellac; 4 Panic; 5 News Reels; 6 Driving Offence; 7 Implore; 8 Grab; 9 Let's Call It A Day; 13 Meat Skewer; 15 Godliness; 18 Acheron; 20 Enabled; 22 Towel; 23 Band.

No. 45

Across—1 Riding; 4 Sampler; 9 Estaminet; 10 Group; 11 Hero; 12 Means Tests; 14 Sits On The Fence; 16 Chestnut Sunday; 18 Vaudeville; 20 Swan; 22 Thrum; 23 Hectoring; 24 Deckled; 25 Intent.

Down—1 Reecho; 2 Determine; 3 Numb; 4 Sit On The Splice; 5 Mighty Fine; 6 Loots; 7 Riposte; 8 Undernourished; 13 Isothermal; 15 Near White; 16 Coveted; 17 Knight; 19 Ulric; 21 Down.

No. 46

Across—1 Catchpenny; 6 Scab; 9 By Marriage; 10 Emma; 12 Adjutant Bird; 15 Coracle; 16 Dynamos; 17 Artemis; 19 Grannie; 20 Private Wards; 23 Peep; 24 Antisocial; 25 Rash; 26 Troy Weight

Down—1 Cube; 2 Time; 3 Hors De Combat; 4 Epicure; 5 Niggard; 7 Commitment; 8 Brandishes; 11 Standard Rose; 13 Scrap Paper; 14 Prettiness; 18 Sterner; 19 Gravity; 21 Sing; 22 Flat.

No. 47

Across—1 Stop-cock; 5 Atomic; 10 No Limit; 11 Upright; 12 Emanations; 13 Snug; 15 Spring In The Air; 17 Common Parlance; 21 Roll; 22 Cow Parsley; 24 Herring; 25 Incline; 26 Really; 27 Isolates.

Down—1 Sunken; 2 Oil Lamp; 3 Comparison; 4 Cutting Up Rough; 6 Tort; 7 Magenta; 8 Category; 9 Running Repairs; 14 Theatrical; 16 Scorcher; 18 Malaria; 19 Cellist; 20 Cyders; 23 Mill.

No. 48

Across—1 Dates; 4 Dentistry; 9 Needles; 10 Introit; 11 Knowing The Ropes; 12 Oak-egger; 13 Torrid; 16 Knight; 18 Foolscap; 21 Disadvantageous; 22 Gleamed; 23 Neatest; 24 Teddy Bear; 25 Eland.

Down—1, 2 Don't Knock The Rock; 3 Selling The Dummy; 4 Designer; 5 Neighs; 6 Intercollegiate; 7 Trooper; 8 Yates; 14 Deposited; 15 Softener; 17 Instead; 19 Cholera; 20 Saddle; 21 Digit.

No. 49

Across—1 Thrilling; 6 Saps; 8 Expectorations; 10 Alleys; 11, 13 Hook Line And Sinker; 14 Well; 16 Tidy; 18 Launching; 21 Insecure; 22 Diaper; 24 Swimming Lesson; 25 Asps; 26 Go-getters.

Down—1 The Gaza Strip; 2 Rippled; 3 Lucky Dip; 4 Idol; 5 Glamourous; 6 Sticky; 7 Pensive; 9 Belligerents; 12 Skylarking; 15 Accident; 17 Disowns; 19 Impasse; 20 Scamps; 23 Agog.

No. 50

Across—1 Capital Charges; 9 Maida; 10 Impromptu; 11 Romances; 12 Kidnap; 13 Distrains, 16 Mica; 18 Esau; 19 Gear-wheel; 21 Hatter; 22 De Valera; 25 Rain-gauge; 26 Irate; 27 Wedding Garment.

Down—1 Cambridgeshire; 2 Prism; 3 Trainers; 4 Loitering; 5 Hope; 6 Rookie; 7 Expensive; 8 Rump Parliament; 14 Slantwise; 15 Snake's Egg; 17 Sweater; 20 Sea-god; 23 Evade; 24 Burn.

No. 51

Across—1 Figure; 4 Bugloss; 9 Electrolier; 10 Tea; 11 Cabby; 12 Beheading; 14 Had The Last Word; 16 Undergraduates; 18 Andalusia; 19 Stall; 20 Amp; 22 Overlooking; 23 Empress; 24 Intent.

Down—1 Fleece; 2 Grey-bearded; 3 Ratty; 4 Bright And Early; 5 Gargantua, 6 Out; 7 Slanged; 8 Double-crossers; 13 Inoperative; 15 Turn Loose; 16 Unaware; 17 Slight; 19 Spoon; 21 Pip.

No. 52

Across—1 Grand Stand; 6 Oslo; 10 Primate; 11 Blatant; 12 Doctor's Dilemma; 14 Clever; 15 Festered; 17 Reproved; 19 Swords; 22 Changes His Tune; 24 Rissole; 25 Premier; 26 Soda; 27 Clerestory.

Down—1 Gape; 2 Adipose; 3 Draw The Longbow; 4 Theory; 5 Nobodies; 7 Stammer; 8 Outlandish; 9 Calls To Witness; 13 Score Cards; 16 Sea-shell; 18 Praised; 20 Rondino; 21 Nipper; 23 Dray.

No. 53

Across— 1 Salads; 4 Two Heads; 9 Eskimo; 10 Scramble; 12 King Bruce; 13 Tyson; 14 Nosey Parkers; 18 Flabbergasts; 21 Pluto; 22 Lie In Wait; 24 Rose Bush; 25 Grasse; 26 Dirtyish; 27 Paynim.

Down—1, 2 Speaking Likeness; 3 Demob; 5 Wicket-keeper; 6 Hearth-rug; 7 Ambush; 8 Sterne; 11 Funambulists; 15 Yellow-boy; 16 Assassin; 17 Isotherm; 19 Spared; 20 Purser; 23 Norma.

No. 54

Across—1 Fallen Arches: 10 Chipping Sodbury; 11 Unwrap; 12 Beriberi; 14 Therewith; 15 Earth; 17 Holed; 19 Entourage; 21 Metallic; 23 Slated; 25 Extemporisation; 26 Fast And Loose.

Down—2 Appease; 3 Ling; 4 Nissen Huts; 5 Red Line; 6 House; 7 Stylish Wedding; 8 Acquits Himself; 9 Pin-wheel; 13 Misericord; 16 Reattain; 18 Dilemma; 20 Unloads; 22 Titus; 24 Silo.

No. 55

Across—1 Hobart; 4 Mordecai; 10 Not Out Of The Wood; 11 Spindrift; 12 Moses; 13 Stolidly; 15 Scour; 17 Emery; 18 Nocturne; 20 Pleat; 22 Butchered; 23 Refresher Course; 24 Scythian; 25 Atones.

Down—1 Honest; 2 Bats In The Belfry; 3 Roundelay; 5 Octet; 6 Dream; 7 Cross-country Run; 8 Industry; 9 Homildon; 14 Yachters; 15 Southport; 16 Hesperus; 19 Adders; 21 Teeth; 22 Bohea.

No. 56

Across—1 Monarchs; 5 Abacus; 9 Mid-season; 11 Ruler; 12 Sordino; 13 Traduce; 14 Angry Young Man; 16 Interrelation; 20 Duchess; 21 Improve; 23 Ozone; 24 Noiseless; 25 Treaty; 26 Egg shell.

Down—1 Mimosa; 2 Nadir; 3 Reeling; 4 History Lesson; 6 Bargain; 7 Colourmen; 8 Sergeant; 10 Nationalising; 14 Artichoke; 15 Hindmost; 17 Reelect; 18 Impress; 19 Vessel; 22 Obese.

No. 57

Across—1 Venice; 4 Stock-pot; 9 Venomed; 11 Nonplus; 12 Supersaturated; 14 Canadian; 15 Staffa; 18 Opener; 19 Carry-cot; 21 Administrative; 24 Chancel; 25 Swedish; 26 Blessing; 27 Asleep

Down—1 Vivisector; 2 Ninepence; 3 Cambridge Circus; 5 Tongue; 6 Contact Breakers; 7 Pulse; 8 Tosh; 10 Dramas; 13 Battleship; 16 Factitive; 17 Wastes; 20 Violin; 22 Drake; 23 Scab.

No. 58

Across—1 Rack; 3 Protesting; 9 Urns; 10 Immigrants; 12 Dressing Down; 15 Aperitif; 16 Troppo; 18 Locals; 19 Parvenus; 21 Strawberries; 24 Post Office; 25 Idle; 26 Side Street; 27 Edit.

Down—1, 2 Round Table Conference; 4 Romantic; 5 Thirds; 6 Screwdrivers. 7 Iona; 8 Gist. 11 Oscillations; 13 Open-minded; 14 Consistent; 17 Barbecue; 20 Violin; 22 Opts; 23 Used.

No. 59

Across—1 Sputnik; 5 Swaraj; 9 Rope Trick; 11 Ibsen; 12 Curragh; 13 Empires; 14 Press Cuttings; 15 Street Rowdies; 19 Grandad; 20 Toll-bar; 22 Opine; 23 Entertain; 24 August; 25 Elastic.

Down—1 Spruce; 2 Upper; 3 Nitrate; 4 Knightsbridge; 6 Whippet; 7 Restrings; 10, 8 Keep Up With The Joneses; 14 Partaking; 15 Signora; 16 Endless; 17 Illyria; 18 Ironic; 21 Boast.

No. 60

Across—1 Hopeless; 5 Muscat; 9 Speech Is Silence; 11 Ice-rink; 12 Offence; 13 Indigence; 14 Smash; 17 Yards; 19 Hand's turn; 21 Humdrum; 23 Hautboy; 24 Diamond Necklace; 25 Eating; 26 Prophets.

Down 1 Hostility; 2 Pretender; 3 Licking; 4 Stick-in-the-mud; 6 Uplifts; 7 Canon; 8 Theme; 10 Stole On The Ear; 15 Adumbrate; 16 Honey Bees; 18 Sirloin; 20 Stuck Up; 21 Hedge; 22 Meant.

No. 61

Across—1 Chaser; 5 Fanfare; 9 Lunch Scores; 10 Hip; 11 Echo; 12 Unfillable; 15 Plastic Surgeons; 16 Quarter Sessions; 18 Extenuator; 19 Asia; 21 Inn; 23 Running Down; 24 Gallery; 25 Hoarse.

Down—2 Hen Pheasant; 3 Soho; 4 Racing Certainty; 5 Furniture Polish; 6 Nosologist; 7 Ash; 8 Express; 9 Lie Up; 13 Book Of Snobs; 14 State Nurse; 16 Queuing; 17 Swain; 20 Agra; 22 Nil.

No. 62

Across—1 Pedestrian; 6 Stud; 10 Mustard; 11 Talents; 12 Sandwich Course; 14 Larghetto; 16 Emmet; 17 Caper; 19 Re-entrant; 21 Stricken Fields; 24 Inspect; 25 Unhinge; 26 Halt; 27 Prose Poems.

Down—1 Pomp; 2 Despair; 3 Stand The Racket; 4 Radii; 5 Aitchbone; 7 Tantrum; 8 Dissertate; 9 All Over The Shop; 13 Blacksmith; 15 Tormentor; 18 Parasol; 20 Andante; 22 Fouls; 23 Keys.

No. 63

Across—1 Copy-cats; 5 Scream; 10 Drown; 11 Rehearsal; 12 Ageless; 13 Regents; 14 Party Programme; 17 Crême De La Crême; 21 Octagon; 23 Armenia; 24 Dismissal; 25 Naomi; 26 Deaths; 27 Appeases.

Down—1 Cadnam; 2, 3 Promenade Concert; 4 Turns Up Her Nose; 6 Clanger; 7 Essen; 8 Molasses; 9 Short Of A Gallop; 15 Momentous; 16 Accorded; 18 English; 19 Romance; 20 Varies; 22 Tessa.

No. 64

Across—1 Indus; 4 Predicate; 9 Fifer; 10 Amendment; 11 Against The Grain; 12 Imitate; 13 Moselle; 16 Nunhood; 18 Reissue; 19 Paragon Of Virtue; 21 Spiritual; 22 Idiot; 23 Toothless; 24 Yokel.

Down—1 Inflation; 2 Deflation; 3 String Along With; 4 Prattle; 5 Evesham; 6 Indigestibility; 7 Arena; 8 Eaten; 14 Last Trick; 15 Elemental; 17 Denture; 18 Raffles; 19 Posit; 20 Rhino.

No. 65

Across—1 Palermo; 5 Deep Sea; 9 Amiss; 10 Court Card; 11 Tigrine; 12 Lurcher; 13 Concerted Action; 15 Regards As Certain; 19 Fittest; 21 Effects; 22 Slate Club; 23 Amber; 24 Legates; 25 Sand-eel

Down—1 Plastic; 2 Lying Snug; 3 Respite; 4 Orchestra Stalls; 5 Double-decker Bus; 6 Enteric; 7 Smash; 8 Andiron; 14 Irascible; 15 Refusal; 16 Reelect; 17 Refrain; 18 Nostril; 20 Twang.

No. 66

Across—1 Throws Back; 6 Limp; 9 Lusitania; 10 Wader; 11 Turning Circle; 13 Repine; 15 Arrested; 17 Stamping; 18 Edison; 20 Contamination; 23 Those; 24 Pantaloon; 25 Rake; 26 Addressing.

Down—1 Tilt; 2 Reset; 3 Watering Place; 4 Bandit; 5 Chargers; 7 Indicates; 8 Portending; 10 White Admirals; 12 Prosecutor; 14 Plain Cook; 16 Undipped; 19 Tanner; 21 Naomi; 22 Snag.

No. 67

Across—1 Bolt From The Blue; 9 Ill-will; 10 Erratic; 11 Grating; 12 Confirm; 13 Hides; 14 Trousseau; 15 Milk-tooth; 18 Cacti; 20 Oxgangs; 21 Stamina; 22 Ogreish; 24 Osmanli; 25 Kippered Herring.

Down—1 Bring Them To Book; 2 Lollard; 3 Fairies; 4 Obligations; 5 Tie; 6 Errands; 7 Lattice; 8 Excommunicating; 12 Clothes Moth; 16 Leg Trap; 17 Tontine; 18 Crammer; 19 Chianti; 23 Hoe.

No. 68

Across—1 Tempter; 5 Gathers; 9 Igneous Rock; 10 Toe; 11 Ground Advantage; 12 Endanger; 13 Portia; 15 Slight; 17 Chlorate; 20 End Of Your Tether; 22 Tea; 23 Enlargement; 24 Smasher; 25 Suffers.

Down—1 Thing; 2 Mangold; 3 Thorn In The Flesh; 4 Restated; 5 Groove; 6 Taking On Oneself; 7 Entrant; 8 Stevenage; 12 Ensheaths; 14 Chartres; 16 Indiana; 18 Athlete; 19 Cooler; 21 Rates.

No. 69

Across—1 Inwards; 5 Impasto; 9 Quack Quack Quack; 10 Eaten; 11 Resettle; 13 Treble Clef; 14 Ends; 16 Tory; 17 Rectorship; 19 Anecdote; 21 Nonce; 23 Schools Of Whales; 24 Masters; 25 Rameses.

Down—1 Inquest; 2 Wear The Breeches; 3 Rekindle; 4 Shun; 5 Increments; 6 Pique; 7 Starting Handles; 8 Orkneys; 12 Scientists; 15 Grantham; 16 Transom; 18 Presses; 20 Drove; 22 Afar.

No. 70

Across—1 Big Drums; 5 Callus; 9 One Over The Eight; 11 Palladium; 12 Thole; 13 Pending; 14 Spill; 17 Angel; 18 Espouse; 21 Attic; 23 Nutriment; 24 Impressionistic; 25 Ensure; 26 Reagents.

Down—1 Blowpipe; 2 Gremlin; 3 Revealing; 4 Marriage Lines; 6 Adept; 7 Log-roll; 8 Setter; 10 Home Sweet Home; 15 Impairing; 16 Lettuces; 17 Antipas; 19 Uneaten; 20 Valise; 22 Clear.

No. 71

Across—1 Rack; 3 Walsingham; 10 Catchment; 11 Tamil; 12 Permit; 13 Claimant; 14 Cooked His Goose; 18 Long In The Tooth; 20 Humphrey; 21 Breath; 24 Binge; 25 Exactress; 26 Test Result; 27 Stir.

Down—1 Recipe; 2 Cater; 4 Aver; 5 Satellite; 6, 7 Nothing To Write Home About; 8 Muleteer; 9 Shrink With Fear; 15 Ointments; 16 Dotterels; 17 Alphabet; 19 Chaser; 22 Avert; 23 Mall.

No. 72

Across—1 Tutelage; 5 Parish; 10 Rainy; 11 Rearguard; 12 Underhung; 13 Stern; 14 Second Thoughts; 18 Straight As A Die; 20 Raven; 22 Bitter End; 24 Bargained; 25 Tessa; 26 Deepen; 27 Bypasses.

Down—1 Turn-up; 2 Third Gear; 3 Layer; 4 Go Round The Bend; 6 Angostura; 7 Inane; 8 Hedonist; 9 Large-heartedly; 15 Orientate; 16 Heiresses; 17 Ascribed; 19 Ideals; 21 Verge; 23 Extra.

No. 73

Across—1 Saps; 3 Inspectors; 9 Need; 10 Gravestone; 12 Woollies; 13 Cherub; 15 Dress By The Right; 17 Played A Lone Hand; 19 Swathe; 21 Forensic; 23 Euthanasia; 24 Pony; 25 Northerner; 26 Lead.

Down—1 Sinewed; 2 Phenomena; 4 Nurseryman; 5 Pave; 6 Case-hardened, 7 Odour; 8 Sherbet; 11 Blasted Heath; 14 Theodolite; 16 Gladstone; 17 Pastern; 18 Decoyed; 20 Aster; 22 Fair.

No. 74

Across—1 Pedlar; 4 Meander; 9 Out; 10 Thoughtless; 11 Surgeon; 12 Insipid; 14 Stopping The Rot; 15 Take The Low Road; 20 Treated; 21 Inroads; 22 Back Numbers; 24 Ire; 25 Express; 26 Cygnet

Down—1 Pegasus; 2 Deteriorate; 3 Antwerp; 4 Maggie Tulliver; 5 Artiste; 6 Die; 7 Reside; 8 Down In The Dumps; 13 Provocation; 16 Entente; 17 Work-shy; 18 Dessert; 19 Stable; 23 Cap.

No. 75

Across—1 Cablegram; 6 Blanc; 9 Receipt Of Custom; 10 Overhead; 11 Bluffs; 13 Room; 14 Academical; 16 Disorderly; 17 Pass; 19 Aguish; 20 Dementia; 23 Intemperateness; 24 Tenon; 25 Steamship

Down—1 Cargo; 2 Bachelor's Button; 3 Elisha; 4 Rat-catcher; 5 Muff; 6 Blue Lamp; 7 Artificial Teeth; 8 Camisoles; 12 Adulterate; 13 Red-tapist; 15 Freshman; 18 Redeem; 21 Aesop; 22 Tees.

No. 76

Across—1 Martingale; 6 Awed; 9 Thistle; 10 Candles; 12 Breakfast Time; 14 Powwow; 15 Ladyship; 17 Lame Duck; 19 Butter; 22 Curried Favour; 24 Riviera; 25 Patriot; 26 Seal, 27 Bear-garden.

Down—1 Mate; 2 Rainbow; 3 In The Woodpile; 4 Greeks; 5 Lackaday; 7 Wolfish, 8 Distempers; 11 Not My Cup Of Tea; 13 Apple-carts; 16 Iced Cake; 18 Moravia; 20 Tarried; 21 Hamper; 23 Stun.

No. 77

Across—1 Personal Columns; 9 Restamp; 10 Miranda; 11 Narcotic; 12 Coward; 14 Hide; 15 Mavourneen; 17 Top-gallant; 19 Blot; 22 Curare; 23 Haranger; 25 Leeward; 26 Orinoco; 27 Yours Faithfully.

Down—1 Parenthetically; 2 Rose-red, 3 Orator; 4 Applicable; 5 Comb; 6 Larboard; 7 Mandate; 8 Stand On Ceremony; 13 Roundabout; 16 Fairways; 18 Parvenu; 20 Log-roll; 21 Tariff; 24 Idea.

No. 78

Across—1 Calypso; 5 Clamber; 9 Privateer; 10 Ingot; 11 Rider; 12 Enlighten; 13 Noun Of Assembly; 17 Chest Of Drawers; 19 Charivari; 21 India; 23 Metal; 24 Isinglass; 25 Sky-born; 26 Gryphon

Down—1 Capering; 2 Laird; 3 Play-rooms; 4 Overelaboration; 5 Careless Driving; 6 Aping; 7 Bagatelle; 8 Rating; 14 Unhealthy; 15 Meaningly; 16 Assassin; 18 Scamps; 20 Igloo; 22 Death.

No. 79

Across—1 Clouds; 4 Chow-chow; 9 Lotus; 10 Palmistry; 11 Bottomless; 12 Epha; 14 Sent To Coventry; 17 Window Dressing; 19 Sage; 20 Militarist; 22 Automaton; 24 Graft; 25 Ploughed; 26 Career.

Down—1 Calabash; 2 Outstanding; 3 Distorted; 5 Half-sovereign; 6 Whit; 7 Hit; 8 Waylay; 10 Police Whistle; 13 Participate; 15 Nostalgia; 16 Agitator; 18 Escarp; 21 Smug; 23 Too.

No. 80

Across—1 Watering Places; 9 Making War; 10 Scull; 11 Nine; 12 My Fair Lady; 14 Satire; 15 Well Hit; 18 Headway; 19, 22 Mainly In The Plain; 23 Slam; 25 Drama; 26 Overdosed; 27 In The Midday Sun.

Down—1 Womanish; 2 Taking The Strain; 3 Rank; 4 Newlyn; 5 Partaker; 6 Australian; 7 Educationalists; 8 Flays; 13 Bridle Path; 16 Ball-room; 17 Myrmidon; 20 Windy; 21 Gilead; 24 Idea.

No. 81

Across—1 Rear; 3 Screech-owl; 10 Retinal; 11 Preston; 12 Bantu; 13 First rate; 14, 18 Testamentary dispositions; 21 Blundered; 23 Cider; 24 Oration; 25 Utopian; 26 Good Looker; 27 Flue.

Down—1 Rarebits; 2 Astonish; 4 Calif; 5 Euphrates; 6 Chest Protector; 7 Outran; 8 Linger; 9 Pneumatic Drill; 15 Esperanto; 16 Goodwill; 17 Estrange; 19 Oblong; 20 Rubato; 22 Deuce.

No. 82

Across—1 Interim Dividend; 9 Draught; 10 Possess; 11 Vestige; 12 Stephen; 13 Ditches; 14 Estonia; 15 Aspired; 19 Setting; 22 Inanity; 23 Dwindle; 24 Thereat; 25 Chorale; 26 Counter-irritant.

Down—1 Individualistic; 2 Transit; 3 Roguish; 4 Matters; 5 Impasse; 6 Inspect; 7 Erewhon; 8 Disentanglement; 16 Plateau; 17 Raiment; 18 Daystar; 19 Sidecar; 20 Tripoli; 21 Indiana.

No. 83

Across—1 Half-cock; 5 Cantab; 10 Bandeau; 11 Usurper; 12 Late Extra; 13 Burma; 14 Scilly Islander; 17 Letter Of Credit; 21 Casca; 22 Skin-tight; 24 Chillon; 25 Impeach; 26 Thrown; 27 Benchers.

Down—1 Hobble; 2 Lunatic; 3 Crêpe; 4 Country Cousins; 6 Adumbrate; 7 Tapered; 8 Barratry; 9 Human Sacrifice; 15 Lie Fallow; 16 Black Cat; 18 Tastier; 19 Ingrate; 20 Itches; 23 Topic.

No. 84

Across—1 Supernaturally; 8 Psychic Bidding; 10 Rubbers; 11 Outside; 12 Breviary; 13 Asthma; 16 Lounge; 18 Alluring; 21 Toffees; 23 Melissa; 24 William And Mary; 25 Chest Protector.

Down—1 Separability; 2 Payable; 3 Reheeling; 4 Accusers; 5 Unison; 6 Audit; 7 Longish; 9 Penang Lawyer; 14 Soup Ladle, 15 Plumbago; 17 Unfaith; 19 Instant; 20 Escarp; 22 Ellis.

No. 85

Across—1 Door-post; 5 Sherif; 9 Vatican; 10 Impinge; 11 Congeries; 12 Fled; 14 Selling Plates; 16 Latest Edition; 20 Cute; 21 Roisterer; 23 Canning; 24 Account; 25 Pecker; 26 Stalkers.

Down—1 Device; 2 Outings; 3 Pocketless; 4 Sensitive Frog; 6 Hope; 7 Ringlet; 8 Fiendish; 10 Insignificant; 13 Elliptical; 15 Blackcap; 17 Titanic; 18 Nurture; 19 Crates; 22 Mine.

No. 86

Across—1 Fecund; 4 Thick-set; 10 About Turn; 11 Exact; 12 Disconsolately; 14 Lingerie; 15 Swat; 18 Nest; 19 Unburden; 22 General Officer; 24 Ripon; 25 Steersman; 26 Paradise; 27 Grills.

Down—1 Fraudulent; 2 Crossing Sweeper; 3 Nitrogen; 5 Handle; 6 Chesty; 7 Swallowed A Camel; 8 Tate; 9 Pursuit; 13 Itinerants; 16 Encored; 17 Sufferer; 20 Weaned; 21 Waists; 23 Trip.

No. 87

Across—1 Relish; 4 Espoused; 10 Cuckoo Clock; 11 Rap; 12 Lambent; 13 Earache; 14 Kicked Himself; 17 Bottom Upwards; 21 Tressed; 22 Head Sea; 24 Dai; 25 Promulgated; 26 Overtake; 27 Tenner.

Down—1 Rocklike; 2 Locum; 3 Slovene; 5 Spoke A Mouthful; 6 Oak Tree; 7 Spruce Fir; 8 Dipper; 9 Scotch Woodcock; 15 Cobdenite; 16 Islander; 18 Tosspot; 19 Wrangle; 20 Studio; 23 Satin.

No. 88

Across—1 Brigadier; 6 Moral; 9 Ascot Opening Day; 10 Homer; 11 Retroussé; 12 Petals; 13 Kippered; 16 Coxswain; 17 Limber; 19 Lie In Wait; 21 Cater; 23 County Champions; 24 Sandy; 25 See Reason.

Down—1 Brash; 2 Income Tax Return; 3 Afterglow; 4 Import; 5 Ringtail; 6 Mango; 7 Redistributions; 8 Lay Reader; 12 Picklocks; 14 Principle; 15 Finances; 18 Strafe; 20 Natty; 22 Resin.

No. 89

Across—1 Accuser; 5 Starchy; 9 Fee Simple; 10 Ideal; 11 Insular; 12 Lugano; 14 Drop Me A Line; 17 Weathervane; 20 Trilby; 21 Sidecar; 23 Henna; 24 Radiogram; 25 Dressed; 26 Respect.

Down—1 Affair; 2 Crease; 3 Spilled The Beans; 4 Repertoire; 5 Step; 6 Acidulated Drops; 7 Clematis; 8 Yellower; 13 Ambassador; 15 Switched; 16 Patience; 18 Scarce; 19 Prompt; 22 Prod.

No. 90

Across—1 Reconnaissance; 9 Lemon Sole; 10 Dance; 11 Trap; 12 Chloroform; 13 Voyager; 15 Freeman; 16 Caporal; 19 Hearten; 21 Antibiotic; 22 Ends; 24 Swell; 25 Oenothera; 26 Strip To The Buff.

Down—1 Relative Clause; 2 Company; 3 Nine; 4 Another; 5 Step Off; 6 Andromeda; 7 Conform; 8 Permanent Staff; 14 Garibaldi; 17 Patient; 18 Look Out; 19 Hair-net; 20 Tonneau; 23 Stye.

No. 91

Across—1 Balustrade; 6 Smug; 9 Mandibles; 10 Bonar; 11 Suffering Cats; 13 Accepted; 15 Indian; 17 Darnel; 18 Ague Fits; 20 Double-crosser; 23 Tramp; 24 Intrusive; 25 Shed; 26 Knock-kneed.

Down—1 Bump; 2 Links; 3 Stiff Upper Lip; 4 Relieved; 5 Distil; 7 Mantalini; 8 Garishness; 10 Beginner's Luck; 12 Candidates; 14 Circulate; 16 Agnostic; 19 Action; 21 Rhine; 22 Seed.

No. 92

Across—1 Alcove; 4 Billowed; 10 Centre-bit; 11 Niger; 12 Non-runner; 13 Tonic; 14 Illicit Still; 17 Bottle-opener; 22 Talon; 23 Extradite; 24 Astra; 25 Loose-leaf; 26 Thorough; 27 Ashlar.

Down—1 Ascent; 2 Canine; 3 Virtual; 5 Interlineation; 6 Lengths; 7 Wagon-lit; 8 Directly; 9 A Bone In One's Leg; 15 Abstract; 16 Stiletto; 18 Long Ago; 19 Enamels; 20 Lineal; 21 Reefer.

No. 93

Across—1 Bugaboo; 5 Arbiter; 9 Eyebrow; 10 Octopus; 11 Lotto; 12 Toy Poodle; 13 Stick At Nothing; 15 Whippersnapper; 20 Whalebone; 22 Tills; 23 Patball; 24 Tremolo; 25 Surgery; 26 Riposte.

Down—1 Beetles; 2 Great Fish; 3 Burdock; 4 On With The Motley; 5 Anonymous Letter; 6 Betroth; 7 Toped; 8 Rasher; 14 Napoleons; 16 Prelate; 17 Antwerp; 18 Rissole; 19 Swipes; 21 Aster.

No. 94

Across—1 Gold-mine; 5 Atomic; 9 Monmouth; 10 Norman; 12 Bowling Average; 14 Mind The Step; 15 Urn; 16 Air; 17 Impedimenta; 19 Standing Orders; 22 Double; 23 Espalier; 24 Rotter; 25 Eyesight.

Down—1 Game; 2 Land-owner; 3 Moonlit; 4 Not In Keeping; 6 Two Deep; 7 Mamba; 8 Centennial; 11 Fastidiously; 13 Ambassador; 15 Unnerving; 17 Indulge; 18 Madcaps; 20 Adult; 21 Grit.

No. 95

Across—1 Boatrace; 5 Rushes; 10 Caned; 11 Taxidermy; 12 Pasteboard; 13 Plea; 15 Fully Fashioned; 18 On The Civil List; 20 Lory; 21 Phenomenon; 24 Promenade; 25 Tuber; 26 Entrap; 27 Assembly.

Down—1 Biceps; 2 Agnes; 3 Red-bellied; 4 Cuts Off His Head; 6 Undo; 7 Hard Lines; 8 Skywards; 9 Expressionless; 14 Millimetre; 16 Uttermost; 17 Collapse; 19 Energy; 22 Nabob; 23 Vera.

No. 96

Across—1 Bailiff; 5 Hang-dog; 9 Utensil; 10 Veronal; 11 Does Brown; 12 Mica; 14 Putting On Weight; 15 Shoots Out Of Hand; 19 Laid; 20 White Lady; 22 Clipper; 23 Granite; 24 Tanners; 25 Nudists.

Down—1 Bound Up; 2 Ice Belt; 3 Insobriety; 4 Full Of Good Works; 5 Having Nothing On; 6 Norm; 7 Dancing; 8 Gallant; 13 Self-regard; 15 Solicit; 16 Opinion; 17 Adagios; 18 Dryness; 21 Apse.

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